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LOCAL PLANNING PROGRAM

Program Oversight: Bob Dean

GO TO 2040 supports the efforts of local governments to improve livability within their communities and to encourage a future pattern of more compact, mixed-use development that focuses growth where transportation infrastructure already exists. The plan recommends that local governments pursue opportunities for development of this type, while recognizing that the interpretation and application of these concepts will vary by community.

AREA 1: REGIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Program Manager: Andrew Williams-Clark

Regional technical assistance includes projects that are conducted at a regional level, rather than working with an individual community. Projects in this area have a broad, region-wide audience.

Online Case Study Library

Project Manager: Lindsay Bayley

Team: Project managers of completed LTA projects

Description: This project will collect positive case studies from around the region of local governments advancing GO TO 2040 through plans, ordinances, and other regulations. These will be organized clearly in a searchable online format. After the initial launch of the project, it will be continually supplemented with more case studies, including some suggested or led by partner organizations. In FY 14, some of these case studies will be used as part of the Year 3 implementation report for GO TO 2040.

Products and Key Dates: Add 20 new case studies to library, primarily from completed LTA projects.

4th Quarter Progress:

- New online map made live, improvements continue as comments / feedback comes in: <https://www.cmap.illinois.gov/programs-and-resources/case-studies-library>
- Held four brownbags for the LTA team (Chicago Neighborhoods Now, CMAQ and other funding sources, ComEd Business Retention/Incentives, Transit Screen).

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue brownbag series (one/month) highlighting completed LTA projects, or topics of interest to LTA team.

- Draft additional case studies as appropriate, but overall plan for Case Studies Library to remain as a static resource.

Municipal Survey

Project Manager: Andrew Williams-Clark

Team: Interns

Description: This project will conduct a biennial survey of municipalities across the region to understand the degree to which policies recommended in GO TO 2040 are implemented at the local level. Survey analysis will also be used to determine local government demand for the development model plans, ordinances and codes as well as educational opportunities. The next survey will be conducted during spring-summer 2014, so only the initiation of the survey is included in the FY 14 work plan.

Products and Key Dates: Initiation of municipal survey (March 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Followed up with municipal staff as needed to increase response rate. Final response rate was 62% of municipalities, encompassing 82% of the region's population.
- Completed data collection and data entry.
- Data files distributed to regional policy team in very early FY15.
- Developed a plan for analysis based on internal and external needs.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Complete internal analysis to inform LTA program evaluation and development.
- Draft one-two policy updates on survey findings and distribute through the muni blast.

Model Plans, Ordinances, and Codes

Project Manager: Andrew Williams-Clark

Team: Beck, Ihnchak, O'Neal, K. Smith, Zwiebach

Description: This project will prepare model planning approaches on topics of interest to local communities and planners. These include ordinances, other regulations, or treatment of other planning issues. Topics addressed in FY 14 were identified in spring 2013 based on municipal survey results and committee feedback, and include fair housing, sustainability plans, conservation design, complete streets, and aging in place. Once models are produced, CMAP will work with several communities to implement the ordinance locally (covered in more detail in the Local Technical Assistance section).

Products and Key Dates: Initiation of four model ordinances or other planning documents on topics of interest. One model ordinance is scheduled to be completed in March 2014, one in June 2014, and the remainder will extend into FY 15.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Drafted all components of the Complete Streets Toolkit.
- Identified core sustainability indicators and sought input from committee and other stakeholders on Environmental Sustainability Plans Toolkit.
- Drafted quantitative analysis and forecast manuals for Interjurisdictional Housing Plans Toolkit.
- Refined the Aging in Place scope and outline with the HCD committee and other identified stakeholders. Began background research.
- Identified funders for Fair Housing Toolkit approach.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Reframe project approach to focus deliverables as a research and development product that refines the agency's approach to a specific planning topic, with less attention to external distribution.
- Complete a draft Environmental Sustainability Plans Toolkit.
- Draft outreach and overall process manual components for Interjurisdictional Housing Plans Toolkit.
- Complete a pre-design draft of the Complete Streets Toolkit.
- Draft a detailed outline of the Aging in Community Toolkit.
- Secure funding for the Fair Housing Toolkit approach.

Planning Commissioner Workshops

Project Manager: Erin Aleman

Team: Ambriz, Dick

Description: A series of training workshops for Planning Commissioners will be provided, covering issues such as the importance of updating the comprehensive plan, consistency of local ordinances, legal issues in planning, and placing local land use decisions within a regional context. These will be coordinated with APA-IL, COGs, and other relevant groups. Each workshop will be hosted by a single municipal Planning Commission, with invitations to other nearby communities. The workshops will be targeted to communities recently completing CMAP-led technical assistance projects.

Products and Key Dates: Eight Planning Commissioner workshops, held throughout year (approximately two per quarter).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Held Westchester workshop (April 21).
- Held Lynwood workshop (May 19).
- Held Geneva workshop (May 21).

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Hold Big Rock workshop (August 11 or September 8).
- Hold Oak Park workshop (September 4).
- Schedule 2-3 workshops for the 2nd quarter of FY 15.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Planning

Project Manager: John O'Neal

Team: TBD

Description: In cooperation with our partners, this project identifies, evaluates, and implements strategies to facilitate walking and bicycling in the region, including access to transit. The project also addresses public right-of-way accessibility for people with disabilities and the safety of walkers and cyclists. The project concentrates on providing technical information to partner agencies and local communities through such activities as our Soles and Spokes Workshops and our unique Soles and Spokes Blog.

Products and Key Dates: Address requests by partner agencies for bicycle and pedestrian planning information. Additional products and key dates to be defined by June 2013.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Continued to implement streamlined process for addressing and responding to Bicycle Planning and Usage Information (BPUI) Requests. Responded to 12 requests. (Five are in draft form and currently under review.) At present, there are no outstanding requests. Continue coordination with IDOT District 1 staff, and BPUI stakeholders.
- Continued to incorporate bicycle and pedestrian planning into LTA projects, including completion of the South Elgin Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan (approved by Village Board on June 16), finalized scope, held kick-off meeting for Arlington Heights Bike-Ped Plan, Lan-Oak Park District Master Plan (Draft Plan underway), UIC Multimodal Plan (Draft Plan underway), SSMMA (scoping underway), Barrington Area Bikeway Feasibility Study (proposals evaluated and consultant interviewed), and other LTA projects as needed.
- Posted 17 Soles and Spokes Blog entries.
- Bike-Ped Task Force met in June.

- Continued to participate in local, regional, and state bicycle and pedestrian coordination activities.

1st Quarter Objectives:

N/A

AREA 2: LOCAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Program Manager: Bob Dean

The Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program involves working directly with a community or group of communities on a product that is customized for their use. Projects in this area have a specific audience and are geographically limited. The work plan does not identify the specific projects being pursued, but breaks down the types of work involved in each one.

Program Development and Management

Project Manager: Bob Dean

Team: Aleman, Dick, Navota, Olson, Ostrander, Pfingston, Williams-Clark

Description: This involves the management of the overall program of Local Technical Assistance projects, including both staff-led projects and those pursued through contracts or grants. This project includes assuring project timeliness and quality, assessing staff needs and allocating resources appropriately, and communicating the purpose and goals of the overall program. The preparation of monthly reports on project progress also falls under this project. Future calls for projects and project prioritization are included within this project as well.

Products and Key Dates: Review of applications submitted and project prioritization (October). Monthly reports on progress of ongoing and upcoming projects (ongoing). Call for projects for following year (May).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Prepared monthly reports for Board and committees.
- Tracked and analyzed staff time expended, with approximately 8,600 hours of staff time devoted to LTA projects.
- Released materials for new call for projects, and received 104 applications by June 26 deadline.
- Began presentations on LTA evaluation with working committees. Made one presentation to each committee in June, to be continued over the summer.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue to prepare monthly reports for Board and committees.

- Track and analyze staff time expended, with approximately 8,000 hours of staff time devoted to LTA projects.
- Prepare summaries of new applications and discuss with committees and partners. Evaluate applications, with a particular focus on assessing local commitment.
- Continue discussions of implementation of LTA projects and evaluation of overall LTA program with working committees.

Project Scoping

Project Manager: Bob Dean

Team: Aleman, Dick, Navota, Pfingston, Williams-Clark

Description: Many Local Technical Assistance projects require significant further scoping before the most appropriate CMAP role can be determined. This work plan item includes meetings with project sponsors and key local stakeholders, research on relevant past activities in each community, and preparation of a proposed scope of work for CMAP's involvement in each project.

Products and Key Dates: Ongoing scoping of projects as they are submitted through new calls for projects (ongoing).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Communicated with sponsors of projects already in the LTA program at the start of the quarter to develop scopes of work and schedules. Only three projects have not yet begun scoping, as they are follow-ups to current projects.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue communication with sponsors of projects in the LTA program to develop scopes of work and schedules.

Management and Support of Staff-Led Projects

Project Manager: Bob Dean

Team: Entire Local Planning division, as well as Hudson, Loftus, Schuh, Thompson

Description: Each Local Technical Assistance project will be assigned a project manager who is responsible for the timely completion of the project. Project managers are responsible for conducting a large portion of the work required on their projects, as well as identifying needs for additional project support, outreach assistance, and partner coordination (described in the following several work plan items). The staff listed for this project will serve as project managers for some projects and contribute

as part of a project team in other cases. CMAP's various software and tools, such as MetroQuest, will be used as appropriate.

Products and Key Dates: Completion of approximately twenty LTA projects receiving direct staff assistance from CMAP and initiation of a similar number of additional projects (ongoing). The number of projects at various stages (initiated; 50% complete; 90% complete; 100% complete) will be tracked and reported quarterly.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Continued to advance projects already begun, with preparation of five existing conditions reports (bringing the total to 106), 14 draft plans (bringing the total to 93), and 15 final plans (bringing the total to 78). These accomplishments exceeded initial expectations.
- Initiated 11 additional projects. A total of 129 projects had reached this stage by the end of the fiscal year, including 89 staff-led projects and 40 consultant-led projects.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue to advance projects, with preparation of several existing conditions reports, development of 10 additional draft plans, and adoption/completion of 10 final plans.
- Initiate three additional staff-led projects and three consultant-led projects.

Projects...	End FY 11	End FY 12	End FY 13	1Q FY 14	2Q FY 14	3Q FY 14	End FY 14
...completed and adopted (100% complete)	0	10	42	46	52	63	78
...with final draft complete (90%)	0	18	48	54	69	79	93
...with existing conditions complete (50%)	0	29	62	79	89	101	106
...fully initiated	14	47	95	104	108	118	129

Management of Grants and Contracts

Project Manager: Jack Pfingston

Team: Bayley, Burch, Dick, Ihnchak, Okoth, O'Neal, Robinson, Seid, Shenbaga, Simoncelli, K. Smith, Vallecillos, Williams-Clark

Description: This project will provide grants to local governments to support the preparation of comprehensive plans, sub-area plans and ordinance revisions to implement these plans, with a focus on linking land use and transportation. It will be highly coordinated with the RTA, which offers similar grant programs; coordination with IDOT and other state agencies will also be sought.

Products and Key Dates: Prequalification of consultants to assist (June). Completion of approximately ten projects using grants or contracts and initiation of a similar number of additional projects (ongoing).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Continued to engage communities and to track progress. Continued project administration, monitoring, reporting, and review of draft project documents.
- Completed the Apache Park Neighborhood Plan, Calumet City Comprehensive Plan, Lynwood Comprehensive Plan, and the South Elgin Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.
- Contractor selected for Campton Hills (zoning update), Cicero (comprehensive plan), and Crete (comprehensive plan) projects.
- Received, reviewed and scored proposals for the Bikeway Feasibility Study for Northwest Cook and Kane Counties and the West Pullman Neighborhood Plan.
- Developed a process for supporting implementation of consultant-led projects. The process includes a tracking method and identifies the role of CMAP for relevant recommendations. Tracked implementation progress for nine projects completed since November 2013.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue to engage communities and to track progress. Continue project administration, monitoring, reporting, and review of draft project documents.
- Complete approximately five projects.
- Select consultants and initiate three projects.
- Track implementation progress for at least six projects completed by April 1, 2014.
- Put implementation support process to work with North Aurora and to whatever extent possible in the nine projects already being monitored/tracked.
- Begin formal evaluations of completed consultant-led projects and communicate the results to the relevant firms.

Outreach and Communications

Project Manager: Erin Aleman, Tom Garritano

Team: Green, Lopez, Reisinger, Robinson, Simoncelli, K. Smith, Vallecillos

Description: Inclusive public engagement processes will be part of each Local Technical Assistance project undertaken. This work plan item includes the development and implementation of a public engagement process as part of each project. This project also includes media outreach during and after each LTA project.

Products and Key Dates: Initial Project Outreach Strategy (PROUST) for each project (ongoing). Final report on public engagement results for each local project (ongoing). Communications strategy for each project (ongoing).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Continued to develop PROUSTs for new projects and completed outreach appendix, as needed.
- Organized LTA projects on the website to include a more complete, alphabetical list of products.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue to develop PROUSTs and complete project outreach appendices as needed.
- Review consultant-led projects for innovative outreach ideas that can be incorporated into staff-led projects.

Data and Mapping Support

Project Manager: Agata Dryla-Gaca

Team: Bayley, Drennan, Okoth, Panella, Pedersen, interns

Description: Provide customized data preparation, analysis and mapping support to Local Technical Assistance project managers. Data and analysis staff will be assigned to projects several months before they are initiated based on availability and needed skills. A set of guidelines for preparing standardized LTA data and mapping products will ensure uniform quality control and streamline preparation of data and map products.

Products and Key Dates: Data and map products for each LTA project (ongoing).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Produced spatial data and map products for ongoing projects (nine comprehensive plans, 10 transportation focused, and three other).
- Initiated more subject focused approach to provide high quality results for topic specific projects.
- Exploring, testing, documenting and sharing mapping and spatial analysis methods (bicycle and pedestrian crashes, bicyclist stress level in shared traffic condition).
- Continued maintaining of all LTA projects file to reflect distribution and coverage in CMAP's region. Created a map with projects locations and status as of June 2014.
- Making process more efficient by automatizing tasks with custom tools development ("Identify LTA projects with their legislative districts and representatives" tool built.).
- Updated "All LTA Projects" master geodatabase to be used for projects' management, reporting, legislative outreach and implementation tracking.
- Assisted other GIS users/planners with technical help.
- Held monthly "GIS and Mapping for LTA" meetings.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue with GIS and mapping support for active projects.
- Document new methods (walkshed analysis) and create a standard list of maps for bike/ped plans.
- Identify other opportunities for process improvement.
- Continue with focused approach for transportation related projects.
- Work with communication team to create GIS version of regional map.

Partner Coordination

Project Manager: Erin Aleman

Team: Robinson

Description: The involvement of partner organizations including government, nongovernmental, and philanthropic groups is a central part of CMAP's approach to Local Technical Assistance. This work plan item includes identification of appropriate organizations to participate in local projects and coordination of the project processes to involve these organizations, as well as convening partners through working committees, technical assistance providers group, and other formal and informal committees. This project also includes the incorporation of non-traditional topics within LTA projects, such as health, arts and culture, workforce development, and others.

Products and Key Dates: Identification of appropriate partner organizations and roles for each LTA project (ongoing). Presentation of LTA projects to relevant CMAP working committees (ongoing). Periodic meetings of the technical assistance providers group (quarterly).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Co-sponsored GreenTown conference, which attracted several hundred attendees and included several sessions focusing on CMAP and LTA work.
- Revised partner involvement tracking sheet to include more detail about partner roles.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Scope a process to identify more systematic partner involvement in implementation of completed plans.
- Meet with partner organizations to discuss new applications.

External Resource Development

Project Manager: Erin Aleman

Team: Navota, Olson, Williams-Clark, others as relevant to specific topics

Description: To cover a breadth of topics, CMAP will need to have access to funding resources beyond transportation sources. This project involves seeking external resources to support the LTA program and CMAP's work in general, either through competitive applications to public sector (most commonly federal or state) programs or philanthropic organizations, or through cultivation of relationships with potential funders.

Products and Key Dates: Periodic communication with philanthropic groups and other potential funders concerning the value of the LTA program (ongoing). Applications submitted in response to funding opportunities (as needed).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Applied to the Pew Charitable Trust/Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Health Impact Program. Submitted joint application with Kane County to conduct a Health Impact Assessment (HIA) and to develop resources for other LTA projects.
- Applied to the Chicago Community Trust for a systemic change grant to support the LTA program.
- Discussed fair housing with philanthropic groups and identified potential near-term funding opportunity.
- Participated in several discussions related to funding for stormwater, resilience, climate adaptation, and disaster recovery.
- Worked with Communications to develop an LTA brochure and materials on several topics of interest.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue to identify and evaluate potential funding opportunities.
- Continue to work with communications to develop subject area promotional materials.
- Submit application for fair housing funding.
- Explore a variety of potential funding sources in the area of stormwater, resilience, climate adaptation, and disaster recovery.
- Update the external funding strategic plan to reflect accomplishments and new opportunities.

POLICY ANALYSIS AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Program Oversight: Matt Maloney

GO TO 2040 addresses broad issues of governance and policy, which are equally as important as physical infrastructure to our region's future. The plan's approach in this area is to support activities that create

a favorable policy environment for sustainable prosperity and regional job growth. The primary goal of this core program is to use the agency's vast data resources to generate robust analyses in subject areas aligning with GO TO 2040. Dissemination of this analysis provides the context for strategic coordination on policy with other organizations, including administrative and/or legislative action. This core program reflects agency priorities, ranging from transportation finance to economic innovation to state and local taxation to broader land use issues including housing and natural resource policies. The main activities include research and analysis, steering GO TO 2040 priorities through the agency's committee structure, legislative analysis, and coordination by CMAP staff with other organizations.

AREA 1: Regional Mobility

Performance Based Transportation Funding

Project Manager: Alex Beata

Team: Murdock

Description: In the last fiscal year, staff worked to educate state and regional stakeholders about the virtues of moving to a more robust and transparent system of making transportation investment decisions. This work culminated in a web microsite and companion report describing CMAP's best thinking on how to implement performance-based funding for the state highway program. This fiscal year, staff will pursue additional opportunities to educate policymakers, transportation stakeholders, and the general public about advancing these issues, both for annual and more episodic highway and transit capital investments. Staff will also analyze other structural issues that affect the efficiency of transportation spending in our region, including the allocation of roadway maintenance responsibilities across jurisdictions and the complex system of formula-based funding allocations between the state and local governments. Lastly, staff will work to transition CMAP's programming via a new performance-based programming core program.

Products and Key Dates: This research will be delivered via the Policy Updates blog (ongoing).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Staff posted the second policy update in this series.
- Staff completed the third policy update.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Post the third policy update.
- Staff will remain aware of opportunities to incorporate these perspectives into other projects identified in the FY 2015 work plan.

Congestion Pricing Analysis and Coordinated Outreach

Project Manager: Jesse Elam

Team: Aleman, Beata, Schmidt

Description: The implementation of congestion pricing is a major recommendation of GO TO 2040. In FY 2013, staff pursued a wide-reaching campaign, based upon new analyses of five GO TO 2040 fiscally constrained highway projects (summarized in the report and Web site Congestion Pricing: Express Lanes to the Region's Future.) This fiscal year, staff will focus efforts on analyzing some of the strategy's secondary benefits and impacts as well as system performance under a broader application of the strategy. In addition, staff will also be seeking a more robust application of congestion pricing in the GO TO 2040 plan update process.

Products and Key Dates: Internal analysis on benefits to transit, application on existing managed facilities (ongoing); Policy analysis and recommendations related to GO TO 2040 Plan Update (spring 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Staff finalized plan update language for congestion pricing.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- None.

Regional Freight Leadership Task Force

Project Manager: Alex Beata

Team: Murdock, Murtha, Wies

Description: GO TO 2040 supports increased investment in the region's freight system to improve the economic competitiveness of metropolitan Chicago, and the plan emphasizes organization and public policy as a specific area of focus for achieving this goal. Metropolitan Chicago has not traditionally had a champion to look out for the public interest regarding freight. To address the institutional and funding barriers of all freight modes, a self-financed Regional Freight Authority should be explored to establish a balance of interests and a mandate to address these needs and lower freight operating costs by upgrading regional infrastructure. Following Board approval of a Task Force to analyze these issues in June 2013, this group will meet monthly beginning in August 2013 and produce a report to the CMAP Board in June 2014.

Products and Key Dates: Task Force meetings, background analysis and staff reports (monthly); final report (June).

4th Quarter Objectives:

- Staff convened the sixth, seventh, and eighth meetings.
- Staff completed and published the final report.
- Staff posted final report online and revised the Task Force website accordingly. Staff met internally to discuss adding a "Freight Policy" webpage under the Regional Mobility/Freight

megamenu to consolidate the Task Force recommendations with the national freight policy efforts.

- Staff presented the final report to the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee in June 2014.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continued outreach to relevant stakeholders to communicate the recommendations listed in the final report.

Freight Policy: National, State, and Regional Coordination

Project Manager: Alex Beata

Team: Murdock, Murtha

Description: As the nation's freight and transportation hub, metropolitan Chicago must play a greater leadership role in advocating for sound public policy and planning on freight movement. While MAP-21 included new freight provisions, more must be done to prioritize and target investments where they are most needed. The most visible of these investments is implementation of the CREATE program. CMAP will closely monitor actions at the federal and state level and assemble policy principles, issue briefs, and recommendations to articulate the importance of freight to metropolitan regions and especially northeastern Illinois. CMAP will also lead a collaborative effort with other major metro areas on these principles and the overall outreach campaign to influence the freight provisions of the next transportation reauthorization bill. CMAP will first provide a working draft freight agenda to partner agencies and with their input develop a consensus Freight Agenda for reauthorization. With Board approval of the consensus Agenda, CMAP will recirculate the Agenda to partner agencies for adoption by their respective boards.

Products and Key Dates: Working Major Metro Area Freight Agenda Draft (June 2013), Major Metro Area Input on a Consensus Freight Agenda (August 2013), Draft Freight Agenda (February 2014), Letter to Congressional Representatives on Common Major Metro Area Agenda (February 2014), Meetings with elected officials and staff (February-June 2014)

4th Quarter Progress:

- Staff prepared talking points on reauthorization topics, including freight policy, for the district directors meeting.
- Staff prepared updated reauthorization principles, including one focused on freight policy, which were adopted by the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee in June 2014.
- Staff met internally to discuss better presenting freight policy and federal/state principles on the CMAP website. The new [Freight Policy](#) and [Legislative and Policy Positions](#) webpages were launched as a result of these discussions.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Staff will continue to monitor federal reauthorization issues and coordinate with other large MPOs, as appropriate.
- Implement improvements to communication of freight policy and other federal/state priorities on the CMAP website.

Regional Revenues

Project Manager: Matt Maloney

Team: Beata, Hollander, Schuh

Description: CMAP's Regional Tax Policy Task Force recommended that Northeastern Illinois should follow the lead of other regions around the country that are pursuing and utilizing regional revenue sources for regional needs, namely capital investments for transportation infrastructure projects. In FY 13, staff completed a draft detailed analysis of potential non-federal or state revenues to be derived from the imposition of new user fees or other efficient forms of taxation that capture the incremental value created by infrastructure improvements. In FY 14, staff will work to apply these findings to the GO TO 2040 plan update.

Products and Key Dates: This work will largely be folded into the GO TO 2040 plan update in the financial plan.

4th Quarter Progress:

None.

1st Quarter Objectives:

None.

Major Capital Projects Implementation

Project Manager: Matt Maloney

Team: Beata, Bozic, Elam, Blankenhorn, Leary, Kopec, Schmidt, Schuh, Wies

Description: While the primary transportation emphasis of GO TO 2040 is to maintain and modernize, the plan contains a handful of fiscally constrained major capital projects that will maximize regional benefits of mobility and economic development. In the last fiscal year, staff continued to follow an agency strategic plan for prioritizing opportunities for CMAP staff to add value to these regional planning processes. CMAP will deploy some resources, in coordination with state, regional, and local agencies and groups, to generate the data, information, policy analysis, and outreach to advance implementation of GO TO 2040's fiscally constrained priority projects.

Products and Key Dates: Monthly internal meetings and project updates (ongoing); other technical assistance and involvement with project planning as stipulated in the strategic plan (ongoing)

4th Quarter Progress:

- Internal group continues to meet and follow strategic planning priorities.

1st Quarter Progress:

- Continue to meet and follow strategic planning priorities.

Green Infrastructure Vision

Project Manager: Louise Yeung

Team: Beck, Navota, Elam, consultant contract

Description: Last fiscal year, staff produced a report on recommended policy applications for the Green Infrastructure Vision (GIV), including its potential use for transportation project development, facility planning area review, municipal comprehensive plans, and land conservation. This year, staff will focus on applying the GIV for this type of work, including local planning and performance-based funding, and will support the effort of partners in Chicago Wilderness to apply the GIV to land conservation decisions and to prepare updates to the analysis behind the GIV. With consultant support, staff will also prepare a report estimating the economic value of protecting the landscapes identified in the GIV, which could be used to build support for conservation efforts.

Products and Key Dates: Chicago Wilderness policy regarding use of GIV in land conservation (expected by December 2013, but dependent on partners); economic valuation report (now expected December 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Selected vendor for economic valuation study and procurement was approved by Board.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Hold kick-off webinar and identify initial list of initial ecosystem services to consider.
- Hold Chicago Wilderness and other stakeholder meeting to identify priority ecosystem services.

AREA 2: Regional Economy

Assessment of Economic Development Incentives

Project Manager: Lindsay Hollander

Team: Schuh

Description: CMAP's Regional Tax Policy Task Force recommended that CMAP analyze how sales tax rebates affect development and land use decisions, and support policies that enhance transparency in these rebate agreements. This recommendation emerged from the Task Force's lengthy discussion about the local incentives at play in the attraction of large tax generating establishments. While the Task

Force focused specifically on sales tax rebates, the state and some local governments historically have utilized a range of other abatements and economic development incentives, including TIF and enterprise zones, to spur economic development. The CMAP Board has requested that CMAP conduct a detailed study on how and where these tools have been used and the impact of the tools on local and regional economic development.

Products and Key Dates: Final report (July 2013).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Staff continues to provide the report to interested parties.
- Staff discussed report during legislative outreach meetings.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Provide report or present findings to interested parties.

Regional Tax Policy Analysis

Project Manager: Lindsay Hollander

Team: Murdock

Description: CMAP's Regional Tax Policy Task Force recommended that CMAP continue to play a leadership role in facilitating a regional perspective on tax policy. This project will focus on supporting CMAP's commitment to tax policy through a series of analyses on tax policy issues. Topics are likely to include: an analysis of the effect of property tax classification in Cook County on business location decisions, an analysis of northeastern Illinois' impact on state revenues, research on the State's budget and state expenditures made within the region, an analysis of regional tax capacity and other tax policy indicators, and expansions on previous CMAP analyses of revenue sharing or sales tax rebates. Analyses may take the form of an issue brief or policy update.

Products and Key Dates: The project will be executed as a series of four issue briefs or policy updates to be published in October, January, April, and June.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Staff presented a draft of CMAP's tax policy principles to the CMAP Board, the Council of County Board Chairs, and the Economic Development Committee.
- Completed a Policy Update on legislative efforts to encourage local government consolidation.
- Began researching a Policy Update on local efforts to consolidate local governments.
- Began compiling and organizing property tax data for a future policy update on property tax classification.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Complete Policy Update on local efforts to consolidate local governments.
- Complete policy update on property tax classification.
- Begin data collection and analysis on local revenue reliance compared to tax rates.

Assessment of the Fiscal and Economic Impact of Land Use Decisions

Project Manager: Elizabeth Schuh

Team: Hollander, Clark, consultant contract

Description: The Tax Policy Task Force report includes data and information about the fiscal impacts of different development decisions. During the GO TO 2040 plan process, CMAP also analyzed the regional economic and jobs impacts of these different development decisions. It is important for the region to have the best information possible about how our fiscal policies drive land use decisions as well as the resulting impacts on the regional economy, jobs, and principles of livability as addressed in GO TO 2040. The CMAP Board has requested that the local and regional impacts of these decisions should be analyzed in more detail. Analysis should be regional in scale and include specific information and cooperation from local municipalities.

Products and Key Dates: Initial analysis results (June 2013), final report to the CMAP Board (December 2013).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Staff presented an internal brownbag on report.
- Staff continues to provide the report and additional information to interested parties.

1st Quarter Objectives

- Continue to present the report to interested parties.

Regional Housing and Development Analysis

Project Manager: Elizabeth Schuh

Team: Morck, Murdock, D. Clark

Description: GO TO 2040's land use and housing section emphasizes the need to coordinate planning for transportation, land use, and housing. This project will focus on enhancing the agency's understanding of ongoing housing and land use change in the region and education on topics related to the interaction of land use and transportation. This project will both utilize and supplement the agency's existing land use data resources (land use inventory and development database). Topic areas are likely to include station area change, housing trends, commercial development trends, residential connectivity, and land use planning on transportation corridors. Final products will provide a resource for communities and

stakeholders to better understand local and regional change and may also provide data tools for CMAP's Local Technical Assistance program.

Products and Key Dates: Analysis and policy blog updates on housing and commercial development change in the region (Quarterly); ongoing educational blogs/handouts on demographic, transportation and land use topics (Quarterly)

4th Quarter Progress:

- Published a policy update on housing and transportation costs in the region.
- Completed a scan of presentation of regional land use and demographic change data at peer MPOs.

1st Quarter Objectives

- Draft and publish two policy updates.
- Develop a scope and timeline for HLU policy updates in FY 15.

Industry Cluster Policy Analysis

Project Manager: Elizabeth Schuh

Team: Peterson, Plagman, Weil

Description: CMAP's two cluster reports on freight and manufacturing include a number of recommendations on workforce, innovation, and infrastructure. Many of these recommendations are best implemented on the sub-regional level through targeted technical assistance. In addition, the reports also highlighted a number of specific challenges and opportunities that merit further exploration, such as the role of energy use in the manufacturing cluster. This project will produce two main deliverables this fiscal year: 1) part 1 of a two part analysis on sub-regions within the seven county area to assess specific economic development and workforce challenges and opportunities related to freight and manufacturing. After this initial assessment, the goal is to transition toward an actionable projects or set of projects that can be undertaken at a later date via the LTA program. 2) a short report or series of policy blogs on energy infrastructure in the manufacturing cluster.

Products and Key Dates: One sub-regional analysis on freight/manufacturing ((March 2014); energy-manufacturing report (April 2014)

4th Quarter Progress:

- O'Hare Subregional Freight-Manufacturing Drill Down:
 - Published the final report and an associated policy update.
 - Presented the report to CMAP's Economic Development, Land Use, and Regional Coordinating Committees.

- Presented the report to The Elgin-O'Hare Western Access Local Advisory Committee, the Northwest Municipal Conference, and the DuPage Mayors & Managers Conference.
- Presented to subregion communities interested in follow-up work.
- Energy and manufacturing policy updates: completed and posted three policy updates.

1st Quarter Objectives

- O'Hare Subregional Freight-Manufacturing Drill Down: Provide materials as requested and work with partners to implement the recommendations of the report.
- Energy and manufacturing policy updates: None.

State and Regional Economic Development Policy: Best Practices, Challenges, and Opportunities

Project Manager: Lindsay Hollander

Team: Peterson, Weil

Description: CMAP's two industry cluster drill down reports include a number of recommendations encouraging the reorientation of economic development policies and practices both regionally and statewide. This project will focus on the role of state and regional governments in planning for economic development opportunities and providing direct funding to businesses in the form of financial incentives. This project will have two distinct phases. Phase 1 will focus on analyzing best practices in state and regional economic development from the U.S. and around the world. With these best practices in hand, Phase 2 will focus on the State of Illinois and metropolitan Chicago's economic development policies and procedures and analyze what lessons can be learned from other places.

Products and Key Dates: Project Scope (July 2013), Phase 1 report (November 2013), Phase 2 report (June 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Conducted research of existing practices around state and region.
- Conducted interviews with economic development researchers and practitioners.
- Staff presented scope to Economic Development Committee
- Completed a first draft of the report.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue to conduct interviews with economic development practitioners, researchers, and other stakeholders.
- Continue work and revisions on the draft report.

- Present progress of the report to the Economic Development Committee.

Regional Economic Indicators

Project Manager: Simone Weil

Team: Peterson, communications staff

Description: Over the last two years, CMAP has worked to improve data and information systems related to human capital, a key recommendation of GO TO 2040. Last year CMAP released *MetroPulse Jobs*, a new web portal illustrating data on workforce needs and gaps in key industry clusters of specialization (the first two portals have focused on freight and manufacturing.) CMAP has also contributed to the Illinois Innovation Index, a partnership with other entities which analyzes varying sets of metrics on economic innovation in northeastern Illinois and the State. Moving forward, CMAP intends to play a greater role in collecting and analyzing this data to keep our partners and the general public attuned the region's economic trends, especially as they relate to our major industry clusters and the workforce and innovation recommendations of GO TO 2040. This data and information will be housed at CMAP and disseminated via the CMAP Web site.

Products and Key Dates: Strategic Plan and Scope for Regional Economic Indicators project (July 2013); implement plan (ongoing).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Finalized microsite content, data visualization, and design.
- Launched microsite and completed media outreach.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue outreach to potential microsite users.
- Finalize FY15 policy update scope and schedule.
- Scope, research, and draft two policy updates.
- Update up to four indicators' data.

AREA 3: CMAP/MPO Committee Support and Legislative Strategy

CMAP and MPO Committee Support

Team: Kopec, Leary (policy committees); Dean, Maloney (coordinating committees); Aleman, Berry, tbd (advisory committees); Beck, Dixon, Ostrander, Plagman, Robinson, K. Smith (working committees)

Description: CMAP has [committees](#) at the policy, coordinating, advisory, and working levels that play integral roles in the agency's planning processes. CMAP provides staff support to these committees. With the adoption of GO TO 2040, committee focus has shifted from the planning process to

implementation. While many implementation areas of the plan are led by CMAP, other areas require leadership from other implementers. Moving forward, CMAP's committees, primarily at the working level, should be used to ensure that CMAP can measure progress toward plan implementation on both staff work and efforts by outside implementers.

Products: Agendas, meeting minutes, and supporting materials (policy, coordinating, advisory, working levels); implement mechanism to collect and share information on GO TO 2040 implementation activities occurring throughout the region (working committee level) – quarterly

4th Quarter Progress:

Committees continued to meet and staff met internally on strategy.

1st Quarter Objectives:

Committees will continue to meet.

State Legislative Strategy

Project Manager: Gordon Smith

Team: Allen, Maloney, Plagman, Weil, other policy staff

Description: Under this project, staff will monitor legislative activities at the Illinois General Assembly during regular and veto session and actions taken by the Governor, such as vetoes, executive orders, or other relevant announcements that impact our region. Staff will maintain relationships with key staff in the House, Senate, Governor's Office, other constitutional offices and state departments to keep abreast of these activities. Staff will also maintain relationships with CMAP's partners and stakeholders to keep informed with their legislative concerns and initiatives. Staff will provide an analysis of bills of significant interest to CMAP and the status of these bills as they move through the legislative process. Staff will provide written and verbal reports on these activities regularly to executive staff, CMAP board, policy and working committees, and the CAC. Staff will often submit Policy Updates on relevant topics of interest.

Products and Key Dates: State Agenda (October 2013); Monthly Board Report, Final Legislative Report (June 2014), Veto Session Report (TBD), Policy Updates on state legislative issues (ongoing), Factsheets on GO TO 2040 priorities (as needed); Outreach Strategy Outline (as needed); Regional Legislative Briefings (June-July); Congressional Staff Briefings (TBD)

4th Quarter Progress:

- Disseminated the approved State Legislative Framework and Agenda docs to the members of the General Assembly, the Governor's office and other state officials.
- Continued implementation of the legislative review and tracking process.
- Communicated agency positions on legislation to bill sponsors and caucus staff.

- Using new outreach strategy, met with ILGA members and caucus staff regarding the State Legislative Framework and Agenda, CMAP policy initiatives, and other GO TO 2040 implementation activities.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue to meet with legislators and staff to discuss State Legislative Framework and Agenda, CMAP policy initiatives, and other GO TO 2040 implementation activities.
- Summarize legislative review and tracking process.
- Convene a meeting of the CMAP legislative working group.
- Monitor actions related to implementation of Transit Task Force recommendations and other relevant transportation funding or governance proposals.
- Develop end of spring legislative session report.
- Begin review and development of 2015 Framework and State Agenda Docs.
- Review Legislative outreach strategy for consistency with region revenue campaign.

Federal Legislative Strategy

Project Manager: Randy Blankenhorn

Team: Beata, Kopec, Leary, Maloney, other relevant staff

Description: Under this project, staff will monitor actions in the U.S. Congress and other relevant federal announcements that impact our region. Specific continuing areas of focus include reauthorization of the transportation legislation as well as the Sustainable Communities Initiative.

Products and Key Dates: Federal Agenda (January 2014); Policy Updates on federal legislative issues (ongoing)

4th Quarter Progress:

- Staff monitored and reported on progress in Washington, specifically related to transportation reauthorization and freight policy. Responded to requests from the region's congressional members and staff. Related CMAP reauthorization principles to delegation, congressional staff and the Administration. Hosted district directors meeting to discuss TAP and CMAQ.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue to monitor and report on federal progress. Continue work with other major metropolitan regions on transportation reauthorization issues. Monitor and analyze short term trust fund legislation and longer term reauthorization issues.

GO TO 2040 COMPREHENSIVE REGIONAL PLAN UPDATE PROGRAM

Program Management: Drew Williams-Clark

MAP-21 continues the federal requirement that the Metropolitan Transportation Plan must be prepared and updated every 4 years in nonattainment areas. CMAP's Comprehensive Regional Plan, GO TO 2040, serves as the region's metropolitan transportation plan. No new policy changes to the plan are anticipated. The update will include new elements required by MAP-21 and other necessary updates. The final update is due October 2014.

AREA 1: Technical analysis and modeling

Financial Plan

Project Manager: Lindsay Hollander

Team: Beata, Ostdick

Description: GO TO 2040 includes a fiscal constraint for transportation investments, totaling \$385B in core and reasonably expected revenues over the plan period. This project's objective is to update revenue and expenditure information and the overall fiscal constraint of the plan.

Products and Key Dates: Scope of work (September 2013); Confirm revenues (January 2014); Confirm safe & adequate expenditures (January 2014); Develop allocation of funding by project category (particularly focusing on major capital projects (April 2014)).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Presented Financial Plan memorandum at the May CMAP Board meeting, the May MPO Policy Committee meeting, the April Transportation Committee meeting, and the April Environment and Natural Resources Committee.
- Completed the Financial Plan for Transportation appendix.
- Assisted with communications and outreach activities.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- This project will be folded into Plan Preparation in FY15.
- Assist with communications and outreach activities as needed.
- Make revisions to the Financial Plan for Transportation appendix per input from public comment, as needed.

Socioeconomic Forecast Development

Project Manager: David Clark

Team: Wies, Morck, Peterson

Description: Review, correct and, if necessary, update GO TO 2040 preferred scenario socioeconomic forecasts. Major tasks include assessing the impact of the recent recession on long term regional household and job growth trends, and inventorying and correcting small-area forecasts to reflect new existing conditions. Improved techniques for modeling future retail employment will be implemented.

Products and Key Dates: Scope of Work (September 2013) Review and propose update and correction parameters (September, 2013). Execute agreed upon updates and corrections (December, 2013). Publish updated and corrected forecasts (March, 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Completed public comment draft of forecast update appendix.
- Reviewed household size assumptions and prepared alternative results for comparative purposes.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- This project will be folded into Plan Preparation in FY15.
- Complete documentation.
- If necessary, revise results based on public comment input.
- Prepare text, tables and graphics for eventual update to Population Forecast page on CMAP website after release of the Plan Update.

Major Capital Projects

Project Manager: Elam

Team: Beata, Patronskey, Bozic, Schmidt

Description: The GO TO 2040 update will include a fiscally constrained list of major capital projects, per federal requirements. The projects identified in GO TO 2040, as adopted in October 2010, will be used as a baseline. These projects, as well as projects that are currently considered fiscally unconstrained, will be re-evaluated in the context of the updated financial plan and socioeconomic forecasts described above. Implementing agencies will also have the ability to suggest new projects to be evaluated and considered.

Products and Key Dates: Scope of Work (September 2013); Identify “universe” of major capital projects (October 2013); Confirm evaluation measures to be used (January 2014); Evaluate projects against measures (April 14); Develop recommended list of projects (June 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Presented proposed constrained list of major capital projects to CMAP committees and prepared major capital project appendix.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Address public comments and make any changes needed in response to stakeholder input.

AREA 2: Writing, Policy Development, and Outreach Implementation Actions

Project Manager: Alex Beata

Team: Schuh

Description: The update to GO TO 2040 will not involve rewriting the plan’s text. However, it will involve updating the implementation action area tables that describe how the recommendations of GO TO 2040 will be implemented. These tables will be updated to reflect current implementation status.

Products and Key Dates: Scope of Work (September 2013). Assess progress toward initial implementation actions and release results as part of Year 3 GO TO 2040 implementation report (December 2013). Recommend set of new implementation actions (June 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Staff completed the final edits and formatting of the implementation action areas appendix.
- Staff posted an [article](#) to the “GO TO 2040 Plan Update” webpage summarizing the update of the implementation action areas.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- This project will be folded into Plan Preparation in FY15.
- Incorporate any revisions received during the public comment period, as appropriate.

Indicator Updates

Project Manager: Craig Heither

Team: Murtha, Chau, N. Ferguson

Description: GO TO 2040 includes a set of indicators to track the plan’s progress toward implementation. The Year 2 implementation report for GO TO 2040 included updates on several of these indicators, including modifying the way in which the indicator is measured to respond to data availability. This project will build upon that analysis to update the GO TO 2040 indicators, including modifying measures and future targets if appropriate.

Products and Key Dates: Scope of Work (September 2013). Prepare report on selection of new indicators in cases where necessary, or confirmation of use of initial indicators (December 2013). Develop updated set of indicators and long-term and short-term targets (June 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Finished refining transit access and infill development analyses.

- Completed two draft appendices for public comment review: Indicator Methodology and Travel Model Documentation.
- Continued assembling updated indicator data as releases became available.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- For FY15, indicator maintenance activity is moved to GO TO 2040 Indicator Tracking.
- Update Indicator Methodology appendix with new indicator data releases for final plan adoption; revise appendices per input from public comments as appropriate.

Plan Preparation

Project Manager: Justine Reisinger

Team: Garritano, Weiskind

Description: The GO TO 2040 update will consist primarily of updated indicators, updated implementation action area tables, and an updated list of fiscally constrained major capital projects. These updated materials will be released for public comment in June 2014. This project involves the preparation of the materials that will be released for public comment.

Products and Key Dates: Scope of Work (September 2013); Release draft plan update (June 2014); final plan update will be a deliverable in FY15.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Developed plan update summary, assisted with finalization of additional plan update appendices for public comment period.
- Developed RFP for commercial printing needs in FY15 for release in late July.
- Assisted with development of public comment period materials (poster boards, flyers, slide show) and rollout.
- Responded to media inquiries from Streetsblog, Progress Illinois.
- Developed prep materials and talking points for MPC roundtable.
- Curate plan update and public comment web pages.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Release RFP for commercial printing needs.
- Continue to promote public comment period opportunities.
- Finalize plan update materials following public comment period, including layout of plan summary in English and Spanish.

- Continue to curate plan update web page.
- Develop graphics and other design needs for update process as needed.

Public, Stakeholder, and Committee Engagement

Project Manager: Jessica Gershman

Team: Williams-Clark, Reisinger, and other Plan Update project managers as needed

Description: This project will ensure adequate feedback from stakeholders and committees during the plan update process.

Products and Key Dates: Scope of Work (September 2013). Involvement of committees and stakeholders as appropriate (ongoing). Public comment period from June 13 through August 1.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Held MPC roundtable in late May, 2014 to preview the plan update with a panel led by Randy and participation from the RTA, Cook County, and Tollway/local leadership.
- Promotion of public open house meetings:
 - Finalized English and Spanish versions of materials.
 - Sent letters to each county board inviting their input.
 - Shared open house details with working committee members and to partner organizations, including specific outreach to Latino organizations.
 - Worked with Communications and Executive Administration staff to electronically advertise each of the public open house meetings with geographic-specific e-mails.
 - Placed meeting details in the legal notices of three printed newspaper publications at the beginning of the public comment period.
- Creation of meeting materials:
 - Worked closely with Communications staff to draft content and layout of poster boards to be used as main visual materials during open house meetings.
 - Worked on PowerPoint presentation to be used for specific meeting of leadership in DuPage County.
- Coordinated with TIP staff and determined staff assignments, travel and materials logistics for each open house meeting, and attended all Q4 meetings (six in this quarter).
- Organized the public comments received to date and began to draft the outreach appendix.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Hold and run the last six public open house meetings.
- Continue to gather and organize the feedback and comments received.
- Provide periodic feedback to the other project managers and executive leadership about the input gathered from the public comment period.

- Draft, revise (according to internal/executive feedback), and finalize the public outreach appendix for presentation to the Board, etc. in September.

COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM

Program Oversight: Tom Garritano

CMAP must maintain a high standard of communication with stakeholders, the general public, and news media. Outreach to external media will be coordinated internally and, whenever appropriate, externally with CMAP partners. Communications staff will place special emphasis on building awareness of and support for GO TO 2040 implementation activities.

Local Planning Communications and Outreach Support

Project Manager: Justine Reisinger

Team: Aleman, Garritano, Weiskind, Green, Nguyen plus other relevant staff.

Description: Communications staff will work with outreach staff to build awareness of GO TO 2040 local implementation activities through the Local Planning Support group. Manage Local Technical Assistance (LTA) media outreach, including liaison with external partners as needed. Prepare communication strategies for individual projects as needed, with involvement of outreach and legislative staff. Oversee production and quality control of local planning print and web materials, including plans, guides, toolkits, and other documents developed through the group (e.g., model plans, ordinances, and codes).

Products: Support for various planning projects, as needed throughout FY 2014. GO TO 2040 presentations to all of the Local Technical Assistance communities, including coordination on annual LTA call for projects.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Provided ongoing support for LTA promotional materials and final plans, as well as relevant media outreach.
- Continued development of LTA brochure and associated one pagers for meetings with foundations on funding.
- Provided support for Call for Projects outreach, including GreenTown Chicago promotions.
- Promoted various LTA projects and new call for projects through tip sheets.
- Released quarterly Muni-Blast; supported roll-out of 2014 Municipal Survey.
- Initiated update of LTA templates, creation of brochure materials.
- Staffed Communications Working Group of the Regional Trees Initiative.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue to improve methods of sharing information related to LTA projects via new website, media outreach, social media.
- Release quarterly Muni-Blast, monitor readership stats/links clicked to gauge effectiveness at raising awareness of Regional Technical Assistance products.
- Continue to provide ongoing support for LTA promotional materials and final plans, as well as relevant media outreach.
- Staff Communications Working Group of the Regional Trees Initiative.
- Update InDesign LTA plan template file to reflect new look of website.
- Create supporting materials for foundation meetings.

Policy Communications and Outreach Support

Project Manager: Tom Garritano

Team: Aleman, Reisinger, Weiskind, Green, plus other relevant staff.

Description: Communications staff will work with outreach staff to build awareness of GO TO 2040 policy activities at the regional, state, and federal levels. Manage policy-based media outreach, including liaison with external partners as needed. Prepare communication strategies for individual projects as needed, with involvement of outreach and legislative staff. Oversee production and quality control of policy-based print and web materials, including drill-down reports, issues-driven content, etc.

Products: Support for various policy projects, as needed throughout FY 2014.

4th Quarter Progress: Assisted in finalization and promotion of regional economic indicators, reports on O'Hare freight/manufacturing corridor and the freight task force, and legislative materials for Springfield and Washington, plus various Policy Updates.

1st Quarter Objectives: Complete rollout of economic indicators on web. Assist with Green infrastructure valuation report. Support development of a potential campaign for strategic funding of regional planning and infrastructure. Support publication of the second State and Regional Economic Development report. Support analysis of data resources for jobs-housing. Support anticipated Policy Updates on various topics. Support legislative updates and print materials.

Partnerships and External Talks

Project Manager: Erin Aleman

Team: Reisinger, Kane, Garritano, plus other relevant staff.

Description: GO TO 2040 implementation depends on a continually expanding base of engaged stakeholders, including governments, businesses, non-profits, and residents. To identify and engage such targets, the outreach staff will lead these efforts with support from the communications and

executive staff, who can help with coordination, scheduling, preparation of talking points and other materials, etc. Outreach staff should take the lead, with help from communications, in finding opportunities for Randy and other staff to give public talks, especially to audiences targeted strategically for timely CMAP products and priorities.

Products: Various outreach activities and related communications support, as needed throughout FY 2014.

4th Quarter Progress:

- 4/1 McHenry County Board
- 4/3 DePaul University Annual Consular Corps Luncheon
- 4/9 Reaching Resilience: Food and Farming in the Upper Midwest Conference
- 4/23 NAFTA panel – this included a media briefing to emphasize major metros freight priorities
- 5/6 Welcome Ricardo’s UPP class
- 5/10 FLIP final presentation
- 5/12 Chicago Community Trust On the Table dinner
- 5/13 Energy Efficient Transportation Systems Business Conference with German American Chambers of Commerce
- 5/16 Welcome for Form-Based Codes event
- 5/22 GreenTown Chicago
- 5/29 MPC roundtable on GO TO 2040 update
- 6/4 Illinois Chamber quarterly meeting
- 6/6 Rail Summit – SINC
- 6/17 Welcome to pop-in funders meeting on fair housing

1st Quarter Objectives:

- 7/16 Central Area Transportation Access workshop
- 7/22 Regional Economic Forum in DuPage
- 9/18 Regional collaboration event in DuPage
- 9/24 Choose DuPage Board of Directors

- Continue to identify speaking opportunities.

Media Relations

Project Manager: Tom Garritano

Team: Green, Reisinger.

Description: Communications staff will proactively identify opportunities for coverage by traditional and new media, while also responding to media requests. The emphasis is on transparency, including advocacy when appropriate. Monthly tip sheets will be sent to keep reporters apprised of CMAP activities. Press releases and advisories are sent as needed. Maintain a current database of media contacts. Manage staff interactions with media. Maintain up-to-date web archives of news products and media coverage at <http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/news>.

Products: Various electronic and print materials, as needed throughout FY 2014.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Prepared media strategy for launch of economic indicators.
- Arranged Tribune story on June 11 about CMAP freight task force report.
- Facilitated interview resulting in CMAP's Doug Ferguson being quoted on June 27 in Trib cover story about intermodal facilities' impacts on air quality.
- Facilitated interview resulting in CMAP's Tom Murtha being quote on May 25 in Trib cover story on improved bike routes for Chicago suburbs.
- Assisted reporters with information pertaining to the proposed Illiana legislation and pending litigation.
- Sent out tip sheets in April, May, and June, and pitched reporters on occasional stories and fielded periodic media requests.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Execute media launch of economic indicators.
- Conduct media outreach as appropriate for possible CMAP funding legislation, tax reform, or other topics.
- Distribute tip sheets and pitch reporters as appropriate.

Moving Forward, 2013: Implementation Report

Project Manager: Garritano

Team: Weiskind, Green, Nguyen, Reisinger, plus other relevant staff.

Description: The 2012 annual GO TO 2400 implementation report (<http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/moving-forward/2012>) expanded on the first report, taking a quantitative approach. In FY14, we plan to return to a qualitative description of partners' and stakeholders' implementation successes. Precise format is subject to internal discussion but should be graphically consistent with the first two reports. This report will also be used as part of the GO TO 2040 update, which will involve the preparation of updated implementation action area tables. Approximately 4,000 units of the summary should be printed commercially, and the longer report can be printed internally in smaller quantities as needed.

Products and Key Dates: Full report for distribution at January board meeting, with the summary printed and website launched by the February board meeting. If the report doesn't require board approval, we could have all three ready by the January board meeting.

4th Quarter Progress: Complete, apart from on-going distribution of report.

1st Quarter Objectives: N/A

Graphic Design and Publication Management

Project Manager: Adam Weiskind

Team: Garritano, Green, Nguyen, Reisinger, plus other relevant staff.

Description: Communications staff will provide graphic design and related publications assistance to CMAP staff when materials meet that threshold as identified by deputies and CMAP executive leadership. This project entails creating information graphics and laying out most primary CMAP documents with InDesign. Also includes overseeing the efforts of non-communications staff who are using InDesign for their own documents where CMAP is in a support role (e.g., for local comprehensive plans and related outreach). Whenever feasible, these materials should be printed in-house, and this project's manager is responsible for determining whether a larger job might require off-site commercial printing.

Products and Key Dates: Various electronic and print materials, as needed throughout FY 2014.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Completed design of LTA plans – Wicker Park/Bucktown, Westchester, Big Rock.
- Began design of LTA theme booklets and handouts – Housing, Climate, Local Food.
- Begin redesign of CMAP/LTA plan templates.
- Completed design of Lawn-to-Lakes brochure.
- Completed design of IDNR and NWPA water reports.
- Completed infographic and web design for Regional Economic Indicators website.

- Completed infographic design for O'Hare Freight Manufacturing Subcluster report.
- Completed design of Regional Freight Leadership Task Force report.
- Begin design of Immigration Integration Toolkit.
- Continued infographic design for CMAP GO TO 2040 plan update.
- Continued for CMAP GO TO 2040 plan update and update materials (sticker, posters, flyers, appendices).
- Completed design of Will County Brownfield Prioritization report.
- Completed of LTA informational brochure.
- Completed Home for a Changing Region report.
- Continued design of promotional materials for LTA events.
- Continued graphic support for CMAP website and microsites.
- Continued development of policy-based information graphics for distribution by web, video, and print.
- Continued design support for LTA project staff and community partners in developing new content for print and web distribution.
- Continued design of CMAP publication covers for quarterly staff report, etc.
- Continued design of MetroPulse/Regional Indicators infographics and website.
- Continue design and updates of program materials for FLIP, Lawn to Lake, TIP, CMAQ, Soles and Spokes, and more.
- Completed redesign of TIP booklet.
- Began management & art direction of assistant graphic designer.
- Continued oversight of LTA staff using CMAP plan and poster/postcard templates in creation of CMAP documents.
- Mentoring CMAP LTA staff through Adobe Creative Suite training.
- Continued collaboration with external consultants in developing CMAP identity elements for web and print materials – New CMAP artwork/elements.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Layout and design of LTA Plans -- Oswego, Cook Trails, Hinsdale, Bensenville, Morton Grove, Berwyn, UIC, Rosemont, Kane County transit.
- Completion of Immigration Integration Toolkit.

- Begin design of second 2014-2015 Homes report.
- Complete design of GO TO 2040 plan update (booklet and insert materials) and infographics.
- Completion of CMAP/LTA plan templates.
- Completion of CMAP/LTA plan templates reference guide.
- Begin design of FLIP yearbook.
- Begin design of Green Infrastructure economic valuation report.
- Begin design of State and Regional Economic Development Policy report.
- Begin design of CMAP Annual report.
- Begin design of LTA Implementation report.
- Continued design of promotional materials for LTA events.
- Continued graphic support for CMAP website and microsites.
- Continued development of policy-based information graphics for distribution by web, video, and print.
- Continued design support for LTA project staff and community partners in developing new content for print and web distribution.
- Continued design of CMAP publication covers for quarterly staff report, etc.
- Continue design and updates of program materials for FLIP, Lawn to Lake, TIP, CMAQ, Soles and Spokes, and more.
- Continue management/art-direction of assistant graphic designer.
- Continued oversight of LTA staff using CMAP plan and poster/postcard templates in creation of CMAP documents.
- Mentoring CMAP LTA staff through Adobe Creative Suite training.
- Continued collaboration with external consultants in developing CMAP identity elements for web and print materials – New CMAP artwork/elements.
- Working with external printers as needed.
- Continued organization of CMAP infographics repository

Website Redesign and Rollout

Project Manager: Tom Garritano

Team: Green, Nguyen, Reisinger, Weiskind, plus other relevant staff.

Description: CMAP communications staff is working with web design and development consultants to create a new website that is more responsive to the needs of our agency and the region. In spring 2013, staff conducted an inventory of the current site to prioritize content conversion to the new format.

Products and Key Dates: The redesign effort began in FY 2013 and culminated in relaunch of the main CMAP site on December 3, 2013.

4th Quarter Progress: Project is now complete. Held lessons learned session to discuss and document best practices and challenges of the new website's launch. Provide daily support of staff using the new site.

1st Quarter Objectives: N/A

Web Content Management

Project Manager: Hillary Green

Team: Garritano, Nguyen, Reisinger, Weiskind, plus other relevant staff.

Description: CMAP communications staff is responsible for helping others at the agency to prepare, post, and maintain their web-based content. Encourage and coordinate efforts of staff to communicate via the web. As part of the responsibility, this project also includes (with the Web Development and Administration project) co-management of CMAP's web consultants. Includes management of social media, including Twitter, Facebook, Pinterest, and YouTube.

Products and Key Dates: Work with the CMAP web front-end developer to prepare Google Analytics reports on all public-facing web content.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Continued migration and parsing of CMAP web pages.
- Analyzed Google Analytics data and implemented changes to improve SEO and user experience.
- Developed web content management training materials.
- Coordinated web activities with media outreach for culminating LTA projects. Further enhance the CMAP web news archive.
- Continued to expand social media presence, including development of social media strategy for Regional Economic Indicators.
- Helped policy, planning, and programming staff to develop content.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue to develop web content management training materials.
- Analyze Google Analytics data and implement changes to improve SEO and user experience.
- Continue to improve user experience.
- Continue to expand social media presence.

- Help policy, planning, and programming staff to develop content.

Web Development and Administration

Project Manager: Hillary Green

Team: Garritano, Green, Reisinger, Weiskind, plus other relevant staff.

Description: CMAP communications staff is responsible for developing -- and overseeing the development of -- web content using the Liferay content management system and related technologies (java, SQL, etc.). This project also includes (with the Web Content Management project) co-management of CMAP's web consultants, especially pertaining to technical tasks of development, maintenance, and security of the agency's main site. With IT and data staff, help to make technical decisions about and to oversee successful development of any public-facing CMAP systems that are not part of the main agency website (i.e., hosted on data.cmap.illinois.gov or elsewhere). For all web development projects, ensure that they have the ability to extend for mobility, that they follow CMAP's style guides, and that they work continually to improve accessibility and usability. Help the CMAP web communications specialist and other staff with Google Analytics.

Products and Key Dates: Provide CMAP staff with an integrated, standardized workflow for all web development projects. Make all of CMAP's interactive maps on the web cross-browser compatible.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Hired web development intern.
- Set up local instance of old CMAP website for archival purposes.
- Provided supplementary support for the data hub project.
- Continued specialized CMAP page migration and parsing for the new website.
- Continued front-end development improvement of CMAP website.
- Completed design and web development for Regional Economic Indicators.
- Initiated search for new web front-end developer to replace John Nguyen, who has moved to California.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Hire replacement web front-end developer or pursue other options early in Q1.
- Work with web development intern to develop an enhanced sitemap and infographics repository.
- Continue to provide supplementary support for the data hub project.

- Continue to coordinate with consultants for design tweaks, development debugging, and hosting optimizations.
- Update technology source of existing content such as the GO TO 2040 Case Studies Library.

Public Data Systems Support

Project Manager: Tom Garritano

Team: Nguyen, Green, Weiskind, Heither, Clark, Rogus, Tiedemann, plus other relevant staff.

Description: Communications staff will work with staff from Research and Analysis, IT, and other groups to help make technical decisions about and to oversee successful development of any public-facing CMAP systems that are not part of the main agency website (i.e., hosted on data.cmap.illinois.gov or elsewhere). Initially, emphasis should be on making data available through simple web pages (browse, search, download) rather than development of new interfaces.

Products and Key Dates: Describe a clear process for facilitating decisions and for making high-priority content available through the main CMAP website. Consult with Thirst on facilitating usability design at earliest stage of all projects, before development begins. Convene Google Analytics training for selected CMAP staff. Identify potential new public systems for development. Explore possible transition of CMAP Data Sharing Hub to www.cmap.illinois.gov.

4th Quarter Progress: The core staff met on May 28 to discuss progress of projects including the Data Hub, aerial image archive, and regional indicators. Worked to identify FY15 staff projects that might need public data support. Finalized review of proposals responding to [RFP 111](#) for Web Front-End Development and Data Visualizations, with selection of Dutch firm Clever Franke.

1st Quarter Objectives: Begin the data visualization project, which will result in its first public content on regional mobility by January 2015. Internal launch of CMAP Data Hub during summer 2014, with public launch in fall. Prep for public launch of aerial image archive, date TBD.

Future Leaders in Planning (FLIP)

Project Manager: Ricardo Lopez

Team: Aleman, Bayley, Daly, Rivera, Yeung

Description: This is a leadership development program for high school students. Selected participants will collaborate with and learn from elected officials and planners who are implementing the GO TO 2040 comprehensive regional plan. The program runs from October 2013 to May 2014 and provides ongoing leadership development, teaching them about past, present, and future regional planning issues from elected officials, community leaders and CMAP staff. Through multimedia tools, interactive activities and field trips, students go “behind the scenes” to explore our region’s communities. Topics include: transportation, housing, human services, land use, economic development and the environment. In addition to learning how local governments interact to address these important

regional needs, students will have opportunities to engage with other students to think about the ways planning could be improved and/or changed. Students will present their resolutions at the end of the sessions to the CMAP Board.

Products and Key Dates: recruitment strategy with application (March 2013); program curriculum (August 2013); student selection and notification (September 2013); site selection for Final Project (March 2014); monthly meetings and activities (September 2013 – April 2014); Final Project (May 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Held session 6 on April 5. Students completed final group presentation.
- Held final FLIP presentation on May 10th at La Casa Student Resource Center in Pilsen. Event turned out a success!
- Promoted the 2014-15 FLIP program through working committees, social media, project meetings, and partners. Total of 15 applications to date.
- Draft of 2013-14 FLIP yearbook complete.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue promoting the 2014-15 FLIP program. Final deadline is September 22.
- Work with communications to produce an InDesign document of 2013-14 yearbook.
- Determine theme for 2014-15 FLIP year.
- Schedule meeting with FLIP staff to plan for upcoming year.

PERFORMANCE-BASED PROGRAMMING PROGRAM

Program Oversight: Jesse Elam

Performance-based funding is a major transportation policy priority of GO TO 2040, and the “Invest Strategically in Transportation” chapter devotes an implementation action area section to “Finding Cost and Investment Efficiencies.” While the Plan also recommends new or innovative revenue sources, the larger emphasis is on making more cooperative, transparent, and prioritized decisions, using the best evaluation criteria possible. The recommendation is targeted toward multiple transportation implementers, but most specifically toward CMAP, which should make the best investment decisions possible with the dollars available. This new core program will coordinate staff efforts to optimize MPO programming functions (CMAQ, Transportation Alternatives) and to develop the region’s capacity to evaluate the larger universe of transportation expenditures and needs in northeastern Illinois. The intention is to target these process and evaluation improvements to achieve adopted regional mobility goals.

CMAQ Program Process Evaluation and Transformation

Project Manager: Jesse Elam

Team: Beata, D. Ferguson, Murtha, Frank, Peterson

Description: CMAQ is directly programmed by CMAP, and it is crucial that the analysis supporting program development is effective. In FY 14, staff will perform a thorough review of the CMAQ program leading to recommendations to the Board and MPO Policy Committee on any changes needed to the CMAQ process, potentially including a set of clear performance measures for project identification and evaluation, regional indicators to enable an understanding of tradeoffs, and the methods most effective and efficient to manage this program. Any recommendations for changes to the CMAQ program would go into effect with the next funding cycle and would not be used in the development of the current (FY 14 – 18) program. The methods employed in CMAQ should also be effectively deployed for Transportation Alternatives, a new program under MAP-21. This project will include evaluation of infrastructure, technology and modernization, operating, and vehicle purchase projects, consistent with the mix of projects programmed by CMAQ.

Products and Key Dates: Conduct staff evaluation of internal process including assessment of qualitative and quantitative metrics, program resource needs, project performance and monitoring, etc. (December 2013); begin committee and subcommittee process to prioritize list of comprehensive performance measure criteria, develop program indicators to track and communicate program outcomes, and provide feedback on other program changes (January 2014); present CMAQ programming process recommendations to Board/MPO Policy Committee for approval and begin using in next CMAQ call for projects (begins FY 15).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Re-analyzed FY 14-18 CMAQ applications according to proposed new criteria and presented to Project Selection Committee (PSC). Presented recommended changes to CMAQ policies to PSC as well.
- Presented overview of CMAQ program to working committees.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Provide recommendations to committee on project eligibility and continue discussion of proposed new scoring system.
- Finalize CMAQ policies and present to Transportation Committee.

Transportation Alternatives Program

Project Manager: Jesse Elam

Team: Beata, D. Ferguson, Murtha, O'Neal

Description: The Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) is a new program under MAP-21, and a new source of programming authority for metropolitan regions. In concert with the CMAQ work, staff will develop a process to incorporate a set of clear performance measures for project evaluation, regional indicators to enable an understanding of tradeoffs, as well as define and implement the most effective and efficient methods to manage this program. Close coordination between CMAQ and TAP will be required. The first call for projects for TAP is anticipated to be in FY14.

Products and Key Dates: Develop list of comprehensive performance measure criteria in coordination with projects below (December 2013); begin committee and subcommittee process to prioritize list of comprehensive performance measure criteria, develop program indicators to track and communicate program outcomes, and provide feedback on other TAP program elements (January 2014); announce call for TAP projects (TBD). Develop final list of comprehensive performance measure criteria in coordination with projects below, for coordination with CMAQ programming (June 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Monitored project implementation using Funding Sunset and Accomplishment Goals set out for approved projects in the TAP Application Booklet.
- Processed cost increase for Millennium Trail project.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Prepare recommended approach on Transportation Alternatives program for August Transportation Committee.
- Continue to monitor project implementation.

Regional Transportation Performance Measures: Phase 1 Prioritization and Development

Project Manager: Tom Murtha

Team: Beata, Dubernat, Frank, Nicholas, Rice, Schmidt, Bozic

Description: A major component of CMAP's Congestion Management Process is to apply a set of regional performance measures (as initially developed during the GO TO 2040 process) for use in programming decisions. With dozens of potential performance measures in this universe, it is essential to prioritize and phase how these data will be deployed. The major thrust of this work will be to develop 1) criteria for identifying and evaluating projects and 2) the indicators to enable an understanding of tradeoffs, both for CMAP's programs (CMAQ and TAP) as well as for other state and regional transportation capital programs, with a focus on modernization and expansion projects. The focus of this project is on data prioritization, continued data acquisition and processing, and ongoing analysis of data gaps accompanied by a plan to fill them. This project will also coordinate the ITS, signal, and parking databases for the agency.

Products and Key Dates: Develop draft list of comprehensive performance measure criteria and indicators in coordination with the CMAQ team (December 2013); develop prioritized Phase 1 and 2 list of comprehensive performance measures for highway modernization projects (January 2014) and expansion projects (February 2014); develop plan for filling data gaps for Phase 2 measures (February 2014); data acquisition (ongoing); Congestion Management Documentation as needed (ongoing); coordinate various databases (ongoing).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Completed phase I and phase II summary lists.
- Continued analytical deployment of performance measures, including continued development of highway performance database and beginning the process of conflation of the database into IRIS. Began conferring with IDOT about this process, and learned that IDOT may be able to offer substantial assistance in this regard, since we learned that some of this work has been completed by them.
- Completed preparation of demonstration datasets for CMAQ programming purposes for delivery in the fourth quarter.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Update performance measure phase I and phase II summary lists.
- Continue performance measure data collection and analysis.
- Continue maintenance of congestion management documentation and performance measurement web pages.
- Provide data and information to IDOT's statewide congestion study.

Modeling and Analytical Deployment for Programming Analysis

Project Manager: Claire Bozic

Team: Heither, N. Ferguson, Murtha, Rodriguez, Schmidt, Schuh, Wies

Description: While the agency has already developed the capacity to model the impacts of major capital projects (both in long range planning processes and for major project development undertakings), it is necessary to understand the resources required to make these or similar analyses scalable to a performance-based programming process. The two projects above will prioritize a set of performance measures for programming decisions, but effective deployment of the agency's modeling and analytical tools is also necessary to equate changes in project attributes (project limits, geometrics, work type, cost, etc.) to the criteria selected. It will also be necessary to use selected regional indicators to measure different scenarios. The focus of this project is to create a plan for this deployment, including the necessary resource allocation, to ensure that by the end of the fiscal year the agency can efficiently and effectively analyze a large number of transportation projects.

Products and Key Dates: Modeling and Analytical Deployment Plan (December 2013); staff resource allocation to support CMAQ, modernization, and expansion efforts (June 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- The deployment plan for highway projects is largely completed.
- We began work to test the concept of scoring the highway network to identify network deficiencies. Scores have been developed for IRI, CRS, Bridge Condition, and Safety. Travel time based data (TTI, PTI) will be included when work to conflate the travel time data and the IRIS file is complete. Testing the scoring process will allow us to identify and work through the issues that arise when integrating these disparate datasets.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Complete working on scoring the highway network and collecting data for a list of projects – the TIP will be a test set of projects. This will provide information about how much staff time is required to complete the process, which can be used to inform the staff resource allocation document.
- Continue to work with the transit agencies on data availability and appropriate performance measurement. The transit component of the deployment plan will be incomplete until this process is farther along.
- Develop planning factors datasets and scoring (equity, accessibility, incorporated areas).
- Begin work on the transit sketch model.
- In parallel, investigate the potential of using the transit modernization model for use as a performance based programming screening tool for transit projects.
- Test the application of simplified Tredis on a set of projects.

Capital Program Data Transformation

Project Manager: Lindsay Hollander

Team: Beata, Dobbs, D. Ferguson, Frank, Nicholas

Description: The purpose of this project is to transform the way the agency collects the attributes of capital transportation projects and how it manages the data in order to implement a performance-based programming process. The initial focus will be on two major sets of capital projects- the IDOT Highway Improvement Program and the RTA and service board transit capital programs. This project will transform the data infrastructure, acquire the necessary data, organize and prioritize the data attributes including geospatial data. Implementation of the recommended new system would occur starting in FY 15.

Products and Key Dates: Scope capital program data transformation (January 2014); prepare recommendations on new databases, methods, and project attributes needed to support analysis of highway and transit capital programs (June 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Held several meetings with staff to discuss potential recommendations.
- Developed a draft memo compiling and summarizing potential recommendations.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Revise draft memo or complete additional research and discussions as needed.

Targeting Infrastructure Investment for Plan Implementation

Project Manager: Bob Dean

Team: Burch, Daly, Elam, Williams-Clark, Zwiebach

Description: GO TO 2040 calls for the development of implementation programs that link transportation, land use, and housing in support of plan goals, including a funding source to be used for infrastructure investments that support livability. This project will investigate the potential for focusing investments on particular places based on criteria such as job density, proximity to existing infrastructure, and other measures that represent livability. The research will investigate the applicability of other regional models to the CMAP region and research potential funding sources.

Products and Key Dates: Summary of focused programs in other regions (November 2013); summary of potential funding programs and administrative options (April 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Placed project on hold pending further coordination with other performance-based programming activities.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Begin discussion of concept with stakeholders in context of long-range plan update.

RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS PROGRAM

Program Oversight: Kermit Wies

GO TO 2040 calls for improved access to information and development of advanced modeling and forecasting tools. This core program's primary mission is to ensure that CMAP staff and planning partners have access to quality data resources and state-of-the-art analysis tools supported by a well-trained research team that is fully engaged in the technical implementation challenges of the plan.

AREA 1: Regional Information and Data Development

Program Manager: David Clark

This program serves as a primary data resource for regional land use and transportation planning in our region and supports CMAP's ongoing data exchange and dissemination activities. It provides data and technical support to several ongoing regional planning and policy initiatives including implementation of GO TO 2040. The program benefits CMAP staff and partners who rely on current and reliable data resources to conduct planning analyses.

Regional Inventories

Project Manager: David Clark

Team: Rice, Morck, Drennan, Pedersen, Hallas, Peterson, N. Ferguson, Chau, Vernon

Description: Development and maintenance of specialized datasets used in regional planning and policy analysis. Many of these datasets originate with CMAP and are specially designed to support such evaluations. Major tasks include maintaining and updating spatial and tabular datasets that serve Agency needs including land use inventory, development database, employment and population data from Census, aerial imagery and other sources, as well as content monitoring and quality control of indicators appearing in GO TO 2040.

Products and Key Dates: Land Use Inventory (March, 2014). Employment data (updated quarterly). Development data (updated quarterly). Census updates (per release schedule), aerial imagery (per County Consortium schedule). Update and document datasets per maintenance schedule and coordinate with Data Library Management and Data Sharing Hub for internal and external access (ongoing).

4th Quarter Progress:

Socio-Economic Data:

No significant Census releases or Employment updates this quarter.

Land Use:

Development Database: Q4 activities focused on updating incomplete records collected during an earlier effort. Also, local (post-1998) review and update were performed for six communities including South Elgin, LaGrange Park, and Harvard. Reference documentation created to assist staff in understanding database field names and coding. Updated version of full database posted to the Data Depot in June.

Land Use Inventory: Quality control and final post-processing steps complete for DuPage, Kendall and McHenry counties. Cook and Kane counties in post-processing. Will Q.C. nearly complete; Lake Q.C. underway.

Updated GIS file of school locations that includes enrollment and employment data.

Aerial Photography:

Scanning of 1970 aerials underway.

1st Quarter Objectives:

Socio-Economic Data:

Census: Obtain and process updated Population Estimates Program data.

Employment: Generate final 2010 estimates (with revised control methodology) for all geographies. Complete final 2011 estimate file by major geographies. Begin processing of 2012 file. Identify appropriate datasets for Data-Sharing Hub and assemble documentation.

Land Use:

Development Database: Finish update of incomplete records. Continue updates in suburban communities identified by LTA staff.

Land Use Inventory: Complete remaining Q.C. and post-processing for all counties. Assemble documentation for release in Q2.

Aerial Photography:

Complete scanning and georeferencing of 1970 aerials; continued work with I.T. on design of webmap. Make arrangements with NEIL consortium for delivery of 2013 orthoimagery.

Data Library Management

Project Manager: Jessica Matthews

Team: Dubernat, Clark, Vernon, Interns

Description: Acquire and catalog new data and archive obsolete datasets. Monitor procurement and licensing of proprietary datasets. Establish protocols for metadata and attribution. Enforce proprietary dissemination and license agreements. Import and catalog newly-released Census and other public data products. Maintain data integration between CMAP web-domain and internal data libraries. Document data library practices on CMAP Wiki and ensure that datasets forwarded to the Data-Sharing Hub include sufficient metadata.

Products and Key Dates: Data library architecture and content, procurement documentation, metadata, user documentation, management documentation (ongoing). Inventory datasets that require maintenance and set update schedule (September, 2013).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Entered details in more than 150 electronic library records by visiting wiki pages and reading metadata on network.

- Interviewed 8 data stewards or Subject Matter Experts for electronic library entries.
- Created Wiki pages to describe how to process data.
- Completed 2 internal data request by summarizing D&B manufacturing data and aggregating Educational Migration flows.
- No request for Census data from reporters or policy team.
- Work to input MetroPulse Jobs into electronic library on-hold due to source re-designing website.
- Checked for new political appointments by running a Python script.
- Posted new datasets from 16 sources in the Data Depot, including complete updates for Kane and McHenry counties, NAVTEQ streets, the National Land Cover Dataset and Illinois DNR Natural Heritage data.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Post 15 datasets to the Data Depot including D&B and Tax Assessments.
- Update remaining generic field holders in Data Library with detailed metadata by interviewing Data Steward or SME, reading Wiki pages and searching CMAP network.
- Adhere to scheduled release dates for uploading datasets.
- Implement a tool or a process to permit data announcement recipients to specify desired dataset notifications.
- Continue to track data usage and trends.

Data Sharing Hub

Project Manager: Claire Bozic

Team: Rogus, Tiedeman, Clark, Matthews

Description: Maintain CMAP's public data-sharing hub. Major tasks include ensuring that CMAP data products are made available and properly documented for public download. Suggest and test improvements to the current product and assess its potential for continued use. Promote use of the data-sharing hub over use of conventional file transfer protocols for disseminating large data resources.

Products and Key Dates: Assessment of current data-sharing hub product and recommendations for proceeding (September, 2013). Promotion of data-sharing hub for disseminating CMAP data products (March, 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- IT completed investigation of potential security issues and solutions and established a PAO with SLG to implement security related architecture changes.

- New test and production servers were established.
- Security related architecture changes were completed and tested.
- Communications agreed to the design direction for the application.
- Established guidelines regarding datasets posted, metadata entry, and tagging terms.
- Testing of uploading datasets and guidelines for metadata entry is underway.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Maintain log of hardware/software problems as they arise and are solved.
- Add data to production application.
- If security changes and design changes are complete and satisfactory, open application to CMAP staff to test.

External Data Requests

Project Manager: Jon Hallas

Team: Other staff as needed.

Description: Respond to public requests for static data and information. Major tasks are to respond external requests for data housed at CMAP and to assist in directing requestors to appropriate sources of information such as Census or other agencies. Included are responding to Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Developments of Regional Importance (DRI) requests.

Products and Key Dates: Accessible documentation of external data requests, record of responses and inventory of personnel and level-of-effort required to complete (ongoing).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Responses were provided for one hundred eighty-seven external requests. One FOIA requests was received. Census Products for Urban Planning (CPUP) workshops introduce US Census Bureau programs and datasets and provide hands-on experience getting data for typical planning scenarios. Seven persons attended workshops this quarter. Attendees included municipal planning staff, planning consultants and Planning Liaisons.
- Population Estimates Program annual estimates of National, State and County Population by Age, Sex, Race and Hispanic Origin as of July 1, 2013 were published on June 26. Data downloads and processing were coordinated to make data available on the Data Depot.
- Details were finalized for attending the Annual State Data Center Meeting online. Other IL SDC coordinating agencies, NIU, Center for Governmental Studies and UIC, Urban Data Visualization Lab/Daley Library, were invited to attend as our guests here at CMAP.

- Brownbag presentation about the American Planning Association Planning Advisory Service was made to staff on April 22.
- I attended the Annual State Data Center Meeting/Webinar held each afternoon on April 1 – 3. R & A staff attended the session on accessing ACS and PUMS data. Slideshows on preparing for the 2020 census, American Community Survey content review, employment data, and data on the FTP site were saved for reference.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Respond to FOIA requests and external requests (ongoing).
- Discuss existing and new workshops on census related data.
- Coordinate downloading Census 2013 data.
- Continue adding external requests to SharePoint and Wiki.

AREA 2: Regional Forecasting and Modeling

Program Manager: Craig Heither

This program serves CMAP's longstanding commitment to preparing regional forecasts and modeling analyses to support transportation, land use and environmental planning. In addition to maintaining standard modeling procedures essential to regional program and plan evaluations, this program implements CMAP's strategic plan for advanced model development in response to priority policy analyses and comprehensive regional planning questions established by GO TO 2040.

Advanced Urban Model Development

Project Manager: Kermit Wies

Team: Heither, Bozic, Rice

Description: Implement strategic plan for advanced modeling at CMAP. This plan establishes guidelines and priorities for improving the policy responsiveness of CMAP's forecasting, evaluation and analysis tools over a ten year period. Many of the improvements incorporate advanced agent-based and microsimulation techniques that provide more robust sensitivity to the policy objectives of GO TO 2040. Major tasks in this FY are to provide support to consulting teams developing 1) Network Microsimulation Extension to Activity-Based Travel Model and 2) Agent-Based Economic Extension to Mesoscale Freight Model as well as promote and support use of existing advanced modeling products among partners and GO TO 2040 implementation efforts.

Products and Key Dates: Support congestion pricing, transit modernization and major capital project implementation efforts at CMAP and among partners (ongoing); demonstrate application and sensitivity of Transit Modernization Model (December, 2013). Phase 2 deliverable of advanced modeling contracts (June, 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

Advanced modeling contracts: Completed application development. For network microsimulation: Working demonstration of regional application that includes both highway and bus transit modes. For freight forecasting: Working demonstration of mesoscale freight model with new commodity procurement forecasting capability.

1st Quarter Objectives:

Advanced modeling contracts: For network microsimulation: Continue final integration of activity-based (i.e. highway pricing and transit modernization model) with regional dynamic traffic assignment application. For freight forecasting: Initiate sensitivity testing and process validation of forecasting application.

Survey Research

Project Manager: Kermit Wies

Team: N. Ferguson, Vernon, Dryla-Gaca, graphics and outreach support as needed.

Description: Implement strategic plan for survey research at CMAP. This plan establishes a strategy and management concept for conducting survey research at CMAP. It recommends that CMAP develop sufficient professional in-house capacity for survey design, sampling, materials preparation, communications, outreach and data management. Major tasks are to continue populating the Travel Tracker Survey with additional observations and to identify and scope at least two needed survey research efforts from among agency's current policy priorities (e.g. congestion pricing and freight). Conduct pilot tests among staff and partners.

Products and Key Dates: Scopes for Travel Tracker and at least two needed survey research efforts (September, 2013). Survey design and sampling plan (December, 2013). Evaluation of pilot tests (June, 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

Prepared a scope of work for refreshing the Travel Tracker sample using both internal and consultant resources. RFP includes designing a "stated preference" add-on to the survey instrument to support development of a new bicycle LOS and demand model for CMAQ and TAP programs. Continued development of the web survey recruitment instrument.

1st Quarter Objective:

For 2015 Travel Tracker Survey: Issue RFP, evaluate proposals and select consultant. Finalize development of the web survey recruitment instrument. Draft communications and outreach plan.

Travel and Emissions Modeling

Project Manager: Craig Heither

Team: Bozic, Rodriguez, Peterson, N. Ferguson, Chau

Description: Maintenance and enhancement of existing MPO travel demand models. Major tasks are to provide travel demand forecasts for major capital project evaluations and conformity analyses. Included this year will be to review and incorporate socioeconomic forecasts associated with the GO TO 2040 update. Continue evaluating improved methods for representing commercial vehicle movements within the travel demand models.

Products and Key Dates: Conformity analyses and major capital project evaluations (as prescribed), socioeconomic forecast review (March, 2014).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Completed scenario modeling for biannual Air Quality Conformity Analysis/GO TO 2040 plan update (Fall 2014) and generated vehicle emissions input files for MOVES model.
- Completed update to travel demand model technical documentation.
- Continued implementing modeling procedure improvements: completed an updated analysis of work trips to the region's airports, completed Trip Generation model analysis of non-motorized trips, began compiling Census data to support the revised Trip Generation model, and conducted a test on the feasibility of implementing a zone system with triple the number of current modeling zones.
- Continued on-going Meso Freight Model improvements: continued creating a refined and more-detailed model network, implemented revised model code syntax reflecting a software update and began an analysis of suspect commodity flow results.
- Completed approximately forty small area traffic forecast requests.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Continue testing regional travel model improvements: complete integration and testing of Trip Generation model improvements from consultant into production models, continue feasibility analysis of implementing a finer-grained modeling zone system in the production models, and begin analysis of regional truck restrictions on model network.
- Continue Meso Freight Model improvements: finalize refined model network and begin testing, continue analysis of questionable commodity flows, and begin testing revised model code developed for the new commodity procurement model.

Transportation Data Analysis

Project Manager: Kermit Wies

Team: Bozic, Murtha, Heither, Clark, Hollander

Description: Scope the need and describe the content and organization of a central data resource of empirical transportation data for planning and policy analysis within CMAP. The major task is to design and illustrate the value of a data resource that permits systematic access to data used for TIP and CMP development in support of transportation finance and performance analyses. This project also absorbs further development of the Transportation Data Archive and incorporates the catalog of CMAP-prepared traffic projections.

Products and Key Dates: Product design report (December, 2013).

4th Quarter Progress:

Continued support analyses being developed for CMAQ, TAP and MCP programs. Scope development of a bicycle level-of-service and demand model for use in specific project evaluations. Developed work plan for summer field data collection intern program: Tasks include traffic monitoring to support calibration of project-level microsimulation software and bike/ped counts to support project evaluation tools.

1st Quarter Objectives:

Continue support analyses being developed for CMAQ, TAP and MCP programs. Scope development of a bicycle level-of-service and demand model for use in specific project evaluations. Implement work plan for summer field data collection intern program.

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Program Oversight: Don Kopec

This program develops the region's TIP. The CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee track the use of local, state, and federal transportation funds through the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The purpose of the TIP is to establish a short-term transportation program implementing the long-range transportation goals identified in GO TO 2040. Federal, state, and local policies and regulations are analyzed to assure CMAP's TIP satisfies these requirements; in the fall of 2014, the quadrennial certification review will formally examine CMAP's compliance. The region is required by federal law to develop and maintain a fiscally constrained TIP which, together with the fiscally constrained major capital projects in GO TO 2040, conforms to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) which demonstrates how the region will attain the national ambient air quality standards.

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development and Management
Project Manager: Patricia Berry

Team: Berry, Dixon, Dobbs, Kos, Ostdick, Patronskey, Pietrowiak

Description: Work with local, state and national partners to assure a regional perspective is considered for transportation maintenance, modernization and expansion investments. Ensure all local, state and federal requirements are met including fiscal constraint, public involvement, data accuracy,

documentation and reporting. Provide assistance and outreach to TIP programmers to improve the efficiency of the TIP amendment process. Maintain and enhance resources, including the TIP database, reports, analyses and visualization tools, for use by local elected officials, implementers, staff and the public. Maintain ongoing communication with state and federal agencies and ensure these agencies understand the programming priorities of the region. Provide data and analyses of TIP implementation of GO TO 2040.

Products and Key Dates: Successful completion of quadrennial certification review; undertake a process review (October 2013) and develop a strategic plan (January 2014) for how the TIP is developed and managed; TIP with updates and amendments (ongoing – committee approvals required approximately nine times per year); comprehensive TIP document update (October 2014); TIP documentation including map, general public brochures, TIP dashboard, training materials/courses and web pages (ongoing); consultation with local, state and federal agencies (ongoing); TIP database maintenance to improve data quality and ease of implementer use (ongoing); exports of TIP data for use in public maps, analytic maps, dashboard presentations and other TIP analyses (ongoing); research and recommendation for comprehensive updates to TIP map and database.

4th Quarter Progress:

Quadrennial Certification Review:

Staff reviewed the Certification Review Report for factual errors and began addressing recommendations of the federal review team. This will be continued into the first quarter of FY 15.

Process Review and Strategic Plan:

Completed last quarter.

TIP with Updates and Amendments:

Staff continued regular review of TIP updates and amendment requests from programmers, including amendments affecting conformity. Staff assisted programmers with data entry and project-specific questions. The TIP was amended twice this quarter.

Comprehensive TIP Document Update:

The draft Federal Fiscal Years 2014-19 TIP document and proposed projects was completed and released for public comment.

TIP Documentation:

The TIP summary brochure and interactive TIP map were updated to reflect TIP amendments made this quarter. Staff continued to work extensively with Communications to update TIP outward facing publications. The summary brochure design and layout were updated in June for distribution at public meetings and the content reflects the draft FY2014-19 TIP.

TIP Database Maintenance:

Development testing and bug resolution for improvements to the database function and user interface continued. Development of training materials for TIP programmers, partner agency users, public users and staff also continued.

Exports of TIP Data:

Project information used to develop the interactive TIP map and TIP Brochure was exported.

Research and Recommendation for Comprehensive Updates to TIP map and Database:

An assessment of the effectiveness of the current TIP database maintenance contract and a recommendation to begin development of an integrated transportation planning, programming, and tracking database or system of databases in FY 2015 was incorporated into the TIP Process Review and Strategic Plan, which was completed last quarter.

1st Quarter Objectives:

Quadrennial Certification Review:

Develop responses to recommendations for submittal to U.S. DOT.

TIP with Updates and Amendments:

Regular review of TIP updates and amendment requests from programmers and programmer assistance will continue. Two TIP amendments are anticipated in addition to the semi-annual GO TO 2040/ TIP conformity analysis & TIP amendment, which will be considered by the MPO Policy Committee in October in conjunction with the plan and TIP update.

Comprehensive TIP Document Update:

At the conclusion of the public comment period, any comments will be addressed in preparation of the final document for adoption in October 2014.

TIP Documentation:

The TIP summary brochure and interactive TIP map will be updated to reflect TIP amendments made this quarter. Updates to fiscal marks, training materials, the TIP data, and TIP Programmer Resources web pages will occur as needed.

TIP Database Maintenance:

Maintenance activities in FY15 will occur under the TIP Database Management project described below.

Exports of TIP Data:

Regular data exports will occur. Exports in response to special requests will be executed as needed.

Analysis of TIP performance with respect to indicators

TBD

Annual Obligation Analysis Report

Preliminary quarterly obligation analysis report is expected by July 2014. Federal fiscal year 13 obligation analysis report is expected by December 2014

Consultation with local, state and federal agencies

CMAQ will continue to work with stakeholders to receive input into proposed programs and policies through frequent communication.

Update to TIP procedures

Preliminary informal discussions with stakeholders regarding possible updates will occur.

Conformity of Plans and Program

Project Manager: Ross Patronsky

Team: Berry, Bozic, Dobbs, Heither, Kos, Wies

Description: Northeastern Illinois has historically not attained national ambient air quality standards for certain pollutants. It is currently classified as a non-attainment area for the 8-hour ozone standard adopted in 2008. In addition, while the region meets prior ozone standards and the fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) standards, federal regulations require steps to ensure that the standards continue to be met.

To meet the air quality requirements, the region must implement a transportation program which will help reduce levels of these pollutants or maintain the existing low levels. As part of the transportation planning and programming process, the impact of proposed transportation activities on the region's air quality is evaluated. This evaluation, called a conformity analysis, is submitted to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for their review before a long-range regional transportation plan or Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is approved or amended. The conformity analysis must demonstrate that the emissions resulting from the plan and TIP meet the requirements of ("conform with") the regulations governing air quality. To ensure the flow of federal transportation funds to the region, state and federal legislative and regulatory changes are tracked and appropriate changes made, informed by the Tier II consultation process.

Products: Conformity analyses (as needed, minimum of twice a year in October and March); documentation of conformity process (ongoing); updated data used in conformity analyses (ongoing); support for development of State Implementation Plans (as needed); findings and interagency agreements from consultation process (ongoing, four to six meetings per year); analyses of air quality

issues for regional decision-makers (as needed); mobile source greenhouse gas emissions estimates to support other agency work (ongoing).

4th Quarter Progress:

- Conformity analyses
 - Released conformity analysis for public comment in conjunction with GO TO 2040 Plan Update and 2015-19 TIP.
- Documentation of conformity process
 - Completed update to conformity document and released for public comment.
- Updated data used in conformity analyses
 - No action needed this quarter.
- Support development of State Implementation Plans
 - Proposed revised ozone budgets released for comment by US EPA; one adverse comment received.
 - No action required on PM_{2.5} SIP (next action expected in FY 2015).
- Findings and interagency agreements from consultation process
 - Met with consultation team to discuss GO TO 2040 Update and conformity status of project on I-80.
- Analyses of air quality issues for regional decision-makers
 - No action needed this quarter.
- Mobile source greenhouse gas emissions estimates to support other agency work
 - No action needed this quarter.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- GO TO 2040/TIP conformity analyses
 - Respond to comments on analysis, if any.
- Documentation of conformity process
 - Respond to any comments on conformity document.
- Updated data used in conformity analyses
 - No action anticipated.
- Support for development of State Implementation Plans

- Monitor US EPA approval of revised budgets for ozone SIP.
- No action required on PM_{2.5} SIP (next action expected in FY 2015).
- Findings and interagency agreements from consultation process
 - Meet with consultation team as needed – one meeting anticipated.
- Analyses of air quality issues for regional decision-makers
 - Continue monitoring reassessment of ozone standard.
- Mobile source greenhouse gas emissions estimates to support other agency work
 - Develop VMT estimates to support emission-rate based emissions.
- Agendas, meeting minutes, and supporting materials for the Tier II Consultation Team
 - Prepare materials for one anticipated meeting.

CMAQ Program Development

Project Manager: Doug Ferguson

Team: Berry, Dobbs, Patronsky, Pietrowiak, Schaad, Kopec

Description: Based upon the current schedule for the development of the FY14-18 CMAQ Program, as FY14 begins, the proposed program will have been released for review by the CMAQ Project Selection Committee and the public. Work to be accomplished during FY14 includes securing recommendations for approval of the proposed program from the CMAQ Project Selection Committee, the Transportation Committee and the Regional Coordinating Committee. Public comments will also be sought during this approval process. Comments received will be addressed and presented to the committees involved in the process. The CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee will be asked to approve the program at their joint October meeting. Finally, the program will be submitted to USDOT and USEPA for their concurrence that the projects proposed are eligible.

Products and Key Dates: Proposed program recommended by the CMAQ Project Selection Committee (July 2013); response to public comments (September 2013); final program (October 2013).

4th Quarter Progress:

FFY 2014-2018 Program Development:

Project is complete.

1st Quarter Objectives:

All program development activities for FY 2015 are found in the Performance Based Programming Program.

Active Program Management

Project Manager: Holly Ostdick

Team: Berry, Dixon, Dobbs, Kos, Patronsky, Pietrowiak, Schaad

Description: Actively manage local programs to ensure that transportation projects proceed in a timely manner, and all available funding is used efficiently. Develop fiscal marks and maintain fiscal constraint in local programs and the TIP, provide guidance and support for the Council of Mayors (COM) and Planning Liaison program. Ensure communication between CMAP and municipal officials. Manage the adopted CMAQ program as specified in the policies adopted by the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee. Prepare active program management reports to achieve regional expenditure targets.

Products and Key Dates: Fiscal marks (ongoing), program management reports and recommendations (ongoing); talking points for CMAP staff participating in COM/COG/TC meetings (ongoing); annual obligation analysis report (May 2014), review of CMAQ project status (November 2013 and May 2014); locally programmed project status assessments; accomplishment of CMAQ obligation goal for FFY 2014 (ongoing); CMAQ project cost/scope change request actions (ongoing); updated CMAQ management database (ongoing).

4th Quarter Progress:

Fiscal Marks:

No action taken.

Program Management Reports and Recommendations:

Staff continued to track obligations and prepared a FFY14 STP-L expenditure report. Used CMAQ obligations to update CMAQ expenditure report once, and prepare active program management reports for CMAQ PSC.

Talking Points for CMAP Staff Participating in COM/COG/TC Meetings:

Talking points are updated after every weekly email, if relevant. Talking points are also updated as staff makes requests to inform local municipalities of reports, classes or any other relevant information at the agency.

Annual Obligation Analysis Report:

The FFY 12 annual obligation and analysis report was published. Data has been collected on FFY14 obligations. FFY 13 data is starting to be collected.

Review of CMAQ Project Status:

Staff continued to review requests for project changes and reviewed individual project status with IDOT and the Planning Liaisons. Semi-annual status updates were conducted in May and reprogramming of

project phases, including project deferrals, based on anticipated authorization years provided by sponsors occurred.

Locally Programmed Project Status Assessments:

Staff continued to meet and provide assistance to local program project sponsors. Staff worked to schedule meetings with all local council of mayors staff to discuss local program projects.

Accomplishment of CMAQ Obligation Goal for FFY 2014:

Obligation of CMAQ funds continued to be tracked throughout the quarter to ensure that the FFY 2014 Obligation Goal is met.

CMAQ Project Cost/Scope Change Request Actions:

Staff evaluated and analyzed twelve project change requests. Staff continually receives phone calls regarding possible schedule, scope and cost change requests and advises appropriately. Additionally, staff reviewed TIP changes to CMAQ projects to ensure accurate reflection of programming status and funding.

Updated CMAQ Management Database:

Staff updated the CMAQ management database to develop queries and reports in response to data requests and for the analysis of project status.

Outreach with Councils and Local Municipalities:

Staff continues to attend sub-regional Council of Mayors transportation technical meetings to supply technical support. Council of Mayors Executive Committee:

Staff prepared materials, collected RSVP's, and staffed one Council of Mayors Executive Committee. The agenda included information on the GO TO 2040 update, an update on Major Capital projects from IDOT and ISTHA, an update from the RTA, , advanced funding and the local technical assistance program.

1st Quarter Objectives:

Active Program Management has been split into two projects for FY15: CMAQ and TAP-L Active Program Management and Local STP Active Program Management and Council of Mayors Support. Descriptions of and objectives for these projects are provided separately below.

CMAQ and TAP-L Active Program Management

Project Manager: Kama Dobbs

Team: Berry, Dixon, Ostdick, Patronsky, Pietrowiak

Description: Actively manage programs developed by CMAP to ensure that transportation

projects proceed in a timely manner and all available funding is used efficiently. Manage the adopted CMAQ and TAP-L programs as specified in the policies adopted by the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee. Prepare active program management reports to achieve regional expenditure targets.

Products and Key Dates: Review of CMAQ project status (November 2014 and May 2015); accomplishment of CMAQ obligation goal for FFY 2015 (ongoing); CMAQ project cost/scope change request actions (ongoing); updated CMAQ management database (ongoing); review of TAP-L project status (ongoing); TAP project cost/scope change request actions (ongoing); Agendas, meeting minutes, and supporting materials for the CMAQ Project Selection Committee (as needed – typically eight meetings per year).

4th Quarter Progress:

Project is new in FY2015 Work Plan.

1st Quarter Objectives:

Review of CMAQ project status

No activity anticipated this quarter.

Accomplishment of CMAQ obligation goal for FFY 2015

No activity anticipated this quarter.

Updated CMAQ management database

Continue as-needed updates to the CMAQ management database to develop queries and reports in response to data requests and for the analysis of project status.

Review of TAP-L project status

Monitor implementation activity of TAP-L funded projects through direct communication with project sponsors, planning liaisons, and IDOT to ensure that program milestones are being met. Milestone deadlines for this quarter include plats and legal documentation (end of June 2014) and appraisal preparation (end of September 2014).

TAP project cost/scope change request actions

Develop process for evaluating cost/scope change request actions as well as consider any sponsor requested changes received.

CMAQ Project Selection Committee support

Prepare agendas and supporting materials and staff July and September committee meetings.

Local STP Active Program Management and Council of Mayors Support (New for FY15)

Project Manager: Holly Ostlick

Team: Berry, Dixon, Dobbs, Pietrowiak

Description: Develop fiscal marks and maintain fiscal constraint in local programs in the TIP. Provide guidance and support for the Council of Mayors (COM) and Planning Liaison program. Ensure communication between CMAP and municipal officials. Staff the Council of Mayors Executive Committee.

Products and Key Dates: Fiscal marks (ongoing), program management reports and recommendations (ongoing); locally programmed project status assessments; talking points for CMAP staff participating in COM/COG/TC meetings (ongoing); agendas, meeting minutes, and supporting materials for the Council of Mayors Executive Committee (September 2014, November 2014, January 2015, May 2015).

4th Quarter Progress:

Project is new in FY2015 Work Plan.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Fiscal Marks.
- Continue tracking obligations for local programs to facilitate creation of fiscal marks at the beginning of the federal fiscal year.
- Program Management reports and recommendations
- Update STP-L expenditure report and continue to work with councils to ensure expenditure of funds.
- Locally programmed project status assessments.
- Hold twice a year meeting with sub-regional staff and IDOT to discuss status of the local program.
- Talking points for COM/COG/TC meetings.
- Conduct weekly updates based on weekly e-mail and other agencies announcements.
- Council of Mayors Executive Committee support.
- Prepare agenda and materials for a September 9, 2014 meeting.

TIP Database Management

Project Manager: Kama Dobbs

Team: Berry, Dixon, Kos, Ostdick, Patronsky, Pietrowiak

Description: Maintain and enhance the TIP database for use by local elected officials, implementers, staff and the public. Maintain and enhance reports, analyses and visualization tools for use by local elected officials, implementers, staff and the public. Provide data on how the project developers in the region invest capital transportation funds and ensure that fiscal constraint requirements are met.

Products and Key Dates: TIP database maintenance to improve data validation and ease of implementer, staff and public use (ongoing); regularly updated documentation and training materials to keep internal and external users, partners and the public informed of the use of the TIP (ongoing); geocoding of TIP projects and associated outputs (shapefile and maps); exports of TIP data for use in public maps, analytic maps, dashboard presentations and other TIP analyses; visualization products; ongoing maintenance and enhancements in response to user needs; review and recommendation for updates to existing database in coordination with following project (April 2015).

4th Quarter Progress:

Project was included in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development and Management project in FY14.

1st Quarter Objectives:

TIP Database maintenance

Continue development testing and bug resolution for improvements to the database function and user interface.

Documentation and training materials

Continue development of training materials for TIP programmers, partner agency users, public users, and staff also continued.

Geocoding of TIP projects

Develop KML files for mapping of TIP projects to reflect TIP amendments made this quarter.

Exports of TIP data

Regular data exports will occur under the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development and Management project. Programming and structural changes that can enhance data exports will be conducted as needed.

Visualization products

Regular data updates for the TIP map will occur under the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development and Management project. Programming and structural changes that can produce visualization products will be conducted as needed.

Updates to existing database in coordination with Integrated Transportation Planning, Programming and Tracking Database

No activity expected this quarter. Once scoping is completed for the integrated database, updates to facilitate a transition from the current TIP database to the integrated database will be identified.

Integrated Transportation Planning, Programming and Tracking Database Development

Project Manager: Kama Dobbs

Team: Beata, Berry, Bozic, Elam, Heither, Hollander, Murtha, Ostdick, Patronskey, Pietrowiak, TBD Research & Analysis, Communications and Information Technology staff.

Description: The TIP database must have the capacity to interact with other agency tools and products, such as the Congestion Management Process, the Regional ITS infrastructure and the Regional Transportation Data Archive to meet the agency's needs for performance-based programming. Significant extensions of the data structure and backend logic will be required to incorporate new data and analyze it for project programming. Active program management of the TIP must also be enhanced, in particular increasing the scope and timeliness of reporting on accomplishments.

Specific database requirements will be developed in late FY 2014, in coordination with the results of Regional Transportation Performance Measures: Phase 1 Prioritization and Development, Capital Program Data Transformation, and Transportation Data Analysis projects to be completed in FY 2014. The requirements are anticipated to include capabilities to support more robust project descriptions and cost breakdowns, more detailed obligation and expenditure data, and project-level performance measures. Performance measure data will also be needed for the entire transportation network to support predictive analyses and deficiency analyses.

Products and Key Dates: RFP for consultant services (August 2014); Database schema, including the data to be stored, the relationships between the data, the structure of the user interface and the desired output reports (April 2015). Design and implementation plan (June 2015). Actual database design and implementation will begin in FY 2016.

4th Quarter Progress:

Project is new in FY2015 Work Plan.

1st Quarter Objectives:

RFP for consultant services

The project team will begin meeting in July to identify the scope of the database, including data that should be collected, the desired outputs and functions of the database, the interactions between data sets, the basic IT requirements for back end operations and the desired user interface, including network and data security requirements, and general operational requirements. Based on the identified requirements and desired outcomes, and RFP for consultant services will be prepared.

Design and implementation plan

No activity anticipated this quarter. The design and implementation plan will be developed by the consultant(s) that are retained following the RFP.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Program Oversight: Matt Rogus

This program provides for the design, acquisition, deployment and management of computing and telecommunications resources at CMAP. This program also facilitates the electronic exchange of raw data within and between CMAP and other agencies and organizations.

Internal Hardware and Software Management

Project Manager: Matt Rogus

Team: Stromberg, Tiedemann, contract support

Description: CMAP's daily operation depends on a robust and functional computer network for data analysis, work program documentation and employee communications. This project consists of daily management and monitoring of internal computer network performance. It includes the acquisition, licensing, installation and maintenance of all software applications, as well as server hardware systems and other related equipment. It also provides limited user-support to CMAP employees.

Resources: Server and workstation hardware, data storage, desktop software applications.

Products: Agency data products, documentation, and employee communications.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Began implementing plan and equipment for enterprise 10Gb network upgrade 90% completed.
- Began implementing enterprise backup solution plan 75% complete.
- Completed annual FY14 IT procurements.
- Continued researching ArcGIS Online.
- Tested procedure for IFAS VM failover.
- Configured and shipped EqualLogic storage system to remote data center for in preparation of VM failover.

- Implemented maintenance and backup strategy for R&A Wiki application.
- Continued researching Windows 8 enterprise for mobile devices.
- Performed annual Microsoft license audit and true-up process.
- Renewed annual support contracts for ESRI, SAS, INRO, APC, VMware, SnagIT, Symantec.
- Procured and implemented SketchUp software application for LTA program.
- Completed RTDA server consolidation and upgrade.
- Procured and implemented Vissim and Synchro Sim traffic software.
- Implemented VMware Data Protection software for all VM's.
- Began planning for VMware vCenter Site Recovery Manager at remote site.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- To complete enterprise 10Gb network upgrade.
- To complete enterprise backup solution plan including configuration of backups to secondary core storage and then to tape.
- To continue developing implementation plan for ArcGIS Online.
- To create test environment for IFAS system.
- To setup new server infrastructure for OneSolution system.
- To continue researching Windows 8 enterprise for mobile devices.
- Renew annual support contracts for Cisco.
- To continue planning for VMware vCenter Site Recovery Manager.
- To implement new General use laptops.
- To implement new Lenovo NAS storage system.
- To upgrade ArcGIS to 10.2

Web Infrastructure Management

Project Manager: Lance Tiedemann

Team: Stromberg, Rogus, contracted support, CMAP project managers of web sites and services

Description: Web infrastructure management consists of procuring, deploying, and administering the hardware, software, and network infrastructure used by web applications and data services hosted at CMAP. Internally, project collaboration and project management have been augmented by several

specialized content management systems. Externally, web applications and data services have become critical to the ongoing agency mission of deploying technical analysis content to a broader audience. The web infrastructure management defined by this project supports web applications and data services, such as SharePoint (collaboration), SteerSimple (project management), MediaWiki (collaboration), the TIP Website (web application), the TIP Map (data service), GO TO 2040 Case Studies (data service), and several others. In addition, this project includes management of web-specific network infrastructure, such as domain name registration and DNS record management.

Resources: Hardware, software, and network infrastructure used by web applications and data services hosted at CMAP

Products: Web applications, data services, collaboration portals, and project management applications.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Implemented deployment strategy for CKAN web application, which included development, test and production servers.
- Collaborated with CMAP stakeholders to begin customizing the CKAN user interface and begin creating a data cataloging process.
- Completed Phase 1 of Aerial imagery web server services internally including the 1990 aerial images.
- Implemented maintenance and backup strategy for CKAN web application.
- Began researching cloud storage solution options.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- To continue testing CKAN web application and implementing enhancements.
- To implement data documents from F&A into CKAN application.
- To implement Phase 2 of Aerial imagery web server services externally including 1970 aerial images.
- Test DR plan for CKAN web application.
- To continue researching cloud storage solution options.

Information Security

Project Manager: Lance Tiedemann

Team: Rogus, contracted support, CMAP project managers of web sites and services

Description: Information security consists of proactively planning, implementing, and verifying the various tools used to protect CMAP infrastructure and data as well as reactively responding to existing

threats. This project fulfills these network roles: enhance network assessment processes with invasive testing, automate assessment of local environments, develop additional plans, policies and standards, continue training staff, recommend improvements for increased network and data protection, and implement new tools or services to aid in identifying and reacting to critical conditions (e.g., cyber-attacks, malicious traffic, etc.) This project fulfills these web sites and services roles: enhance website assessment processes with invasive testing, automate assessments of code, develop additional plans, policies and standards, and continue training staff. In addition, this project fulfills the data management role to develop policies and process improvements to ensure that sensitive data is processed and stored under appropriate access controls in compliance with program and regulatory requirements. These roles are fulfilled through the management of security tools, such as SSL certificates, firewall and IPS policies, VPN access, security scanning applications, and monitoring services.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Reconfigured VPN for improved availability.
- Provided ongoing VPN support for CMAP and personal devices.
- Implemented network monitoring tools.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- To refine network monitoring and device remediation practices.
- To perform security audits on CKAN and GIS web applications.

Office Systems Management

Project Manager: Ben Stromberg

Team: IT Intern

Description: Staff productivity depends on robust systems for managing office operations. This project includes technical support of office support systems including telephone, mobile communication, fax, copiers, web conferencing, audio-visual, etc.

Resources: Software applications, telephone system, copiers and printers

Products: Telephones, internet services, computer peripherals, copiers and printers.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Met with several engineering firms to discuss project and what the best plan should be for developing audio/video update plan for Cook and DuPage Conference rooms.
- Completed Life Safety equipment installation for CMAP suite.
- Upgraded the door security system software.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- To continue developing audio/video update plan for Cook and DuPage Conference rooms.
- Procure one year renewal service contract with CMAP's asset management software (Redbeam).
- Create FY15 budget for CMAP's Verizon Wireless account .
- Purge all old users and account for the Cisco phone systems.
- Procure Network Card for the new door security PC.

User Support

Project Manager: Ben Stromberg

Team: Brown, Kelley, Rivera, intern

Description: Serve as training and instructional resource for internal users. Serve as technical intermediary in resolving IT related problems encountered by CMAP staff.

Products: Documentation of training and instructional resources. Documentation of IT related problems encountered by CMAP staff.

4th Quarter Progress:

- Completed brownbag for staff on GoToMeeting.
- Implemented new Lenovo M83 Workstations for CMAP staff.
- Distributed new HP monitors to CMAP staff.
- Completed 87 helpdesk tickets.
- Set up workstations and phones for the 17 summer interns.
- Repaired background plates for the Graphics Room Scanner for aerial scanning.

1st Quarter Objectives:

- Create image, capture image, and deploy new general use laptops for CMAP staff.
- Continue to upgrade staff PC's and laptops.
- Continue to update user documents for staff as needed.
- Continue to assist staff with PC/phone problems as needed.

City of Chicago

FY 2008 PROJECTS

CENTRAL AREA BRT- EAST-WEST TRANSIT CORRIDOR

Purpose:

Determine feasibility and evaluate additional transitway alignments proposed in Chicago's Central Area Plan (cross-Loop and Roosevelt Road).

Project Manager: Susan Mea

Progress: Completed alignment plans for Monroe bus subway..

Products: Completed final plans for Monroe bus subway including technical memo on alternative definition and evaluation. All technical reports are complete with the exception of the final conclusion.

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Insert language in the final report where needed when Air Sage data analysis becomes available from CDOT's River North-Streeterville Transit Alternatives study.

FY 2009 PROJECTS

CHICAGO SOUTH LAKEFRONT TRANSPORTATION STUDY

Purpose:

The purpose is to analyze transportation needs in the South Lakefront Area of Chicago and recommend transportation improvements. The area extends from Chicago's Central area to the Hyde Park and nearby areas, and includes activity centers such as McCormick Place and Soldier Field. The study will examine both trips within the Central Area and trips between the Central Area and Chicago's neighborhoods. Opportunities made available by the possible future vacation of CN railroad tracks will be considered.

Project Manager: Susan Mea

Progress: Completed plans for Lakefront and Michigan Ave. BRT

Products: Completed final plans for Lakefront and Michigan Ave. BRT, including technical memo on alternative definition and evaluation. All technical reports are complete with the exception of the final conclusion..

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Insert language in final report when Air Sage data analysis becomes available from CDOT's River North-Streeterville Transit Alternatives study

FY 2011 PROJECTS

CITY OF CHICAGO TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING

Purpose: To support regional objectives by providing for the strategic participation of the City of Chicago in the region's transportation planning process including the development of the RTP and the TIP, by identifying and developing potential transportation projects and policies and to provide technical analysis and other requested information to agencies, elected officials and the general public. Such policy, funding and planning assistance facilitates the full and effective participation of the City of Chicago in the regional planning process.

Project Manager: Brenda McGruder

Progress: Chicago Truck Route Planning Study - draft report finalized.

Supplemental work needed, which includes: brochures, GIS mapping and additional legislative work and public outreach.

Sustainable Streetscape

Vol II Final Strategies submitted to project team for final layout. **Vol I Final revision** submitted for CDOT approval,

Products: Final Vol. I revisions completed

Objectives for the Next Three Months:

Chicago Truck Route Planning Study - seek additional funding to complete additional tasks.

Finalize Vol. II; complete final draft of Placemaking Guidelines.

FY 2012 PROJECTS

CITY OF CHICAGO Union Station Master Plan – Phase III

Purpose:

Building off of Phase I and Phase II work, the project will continue planning for a West Loop Trans Ctr and/or alternatives to address future passenger and train capacity needs at Chicago Union Station (CUS). The plans will anticipate leveraging federal interest in improved intercity rail transportation. In Phase I CUS alternatives are being developed; Phase II will develop ped simulation models (for inside & outside CUS) and analyze real estate issues; Phase III will develop a train ops simulation model to assess capacity of alternative station plans.

Project Manager: Jeff Sriver

Progress: “Phase III” is being conducted together with “Phase II” (utilizing remaining FY2011 UWP funds) and is being called Stage II of the overall master plan study. It began in December 2012 and involves simulation modeling and analysis of possible new CUS configurations, operations, and surface traffic as developed in Stage I. FY2012 funds began being drawn down when FY2011 funds were depleted (Q1 FY14)

The existing condition models for pedestrian behavior and train operations have been reviewed and finalized; disruption conditions and potential future modifications have also been modeled and reviewed. Schematic plans for station concourse area reconfigurations have been designed and refined; proposed layout revisions are being input into ped simulation model. Station area traffic existing conditions model has been developed and is being validated. Revisions to preliminary cost estimates have been prepared..

Products: Future conditions model for train operations; revised technical memo including schematic plans and renderings for station concourse modifications; floor plan inputs for station ped simulation model; station area traffic existing conditions model; renderings of station improvements; updated preliminary cost estimates for planned improvemets.

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Continue stakeholder meetings. Continue developing station area street traffic model. Finalize pedestrian flow model using future train and pedestrian traffic assumptions.

CITY OF CHICAGO Far South Railroad Relocation Feasibility Study

Purpose:

The UP (Villa Grove Sub) freight railroad operates at-grade from 89th to 116th Street, through several densely populated residential neighborhoods. It has 10 street grade x-ings & many unauthorized ped x-ings. Rail traffic is 24 tpd & growing. Project would assess rail line relocation, between 89th & 119th Streets, to the under-utilized but grade-separated CN (along Cottage Grove) + CRL (between 91st/Holland & 94th/Cottage Grv) rail lines. Would require a new railroad flyover bridge to connect CN and CRL tracks, plus related infrastructure improvements.

Project Manager: Jeff Sriver

Progress: Analysis has been completed; final report preparation has begun with continuing coordination with CTA regarding their parallel Red Line Extension EIS process.

Products: Draft report sections for internal review and discussions with CTA.

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Complete draft final report and share with CTA and other railroad stakeholders.

CITY OF CHICAGO: TSM & Signal Interconnect Priority Models

Purpose:

Purpose of this project is: a) to conduct a critical and comparative review of the existing Chicago Traffic Signal Modernization (TSM) Priority Model to identify enhancements and any changes required based on the new 2010 Manual for Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), and b) develop and apply a Signal Interconnect Priority Model to identify corridors for signal technology and operational improvements that may include interconnects, signal coordination, Transit Signal Priority (TSP). The focus of this project is to develop and test the technical tools and procedures, and assemble the required data and databases to support CDOT planning functions for signal improvements and signal interconnect corridor investments. Once developed and tested, the tools and procedures would be available for use by other agencies as appropriate

Project Manager: David Zavatterro

Progress: Draft Scope of work reviewed to prepare final for Task Order RFP

Products: Draft to 90% final Task Order RFP.

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Plan to distribute Task Order RFP to pre-qualified consultants, receive and rank proposals, and make recommendation to award Task Order..

FY 2013 PROJECTS

TRANSPORTATION AND PROGRAMMING - CONTRACTS

Purpose:

The purpose of this project is to support regional objectives by providing for the strategic participation of the City of Chicago in the region's transportation planning process including the development of the RTP and the TIP, by identifying and developing potential

Project Manager: Brenda McGruder

Progress:

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Products:

Objectives for the Next Three Months:

CHICAGO BUS RAPID TRANSIT MASTER PLAN

Purpose:

The purpose of this project is to identify and prioritize future opportunities for Bus Rapid Transit improvements in Chicago

Project Manager: Keith Privett

Progress: Segments have been screened based on persons per peak hour peak direction (pphpd), daily load, and anticipated speed benefit to identify top 30 segments for potential BRT. Based on the identified shorter segments, potential corridors were defined using current CTA bus routes. (Work has also continued on parallel contract by consultant with Chicago Community Trust, including development of O-D matrix based on fare card data - to be used in further evaluation

Products: No public documents, only internal spreadsheets and mapping

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Revise corridor list and and continue evaluation of corridors. Develop typologies of potential BRT improvements based on corridors ROW and demand.

FY 2014 PROJECTS

City of Chicago Transportation and Programming

Purpose:

To support regional objectives by providing for the strategic participation of the City of Chicago in the region's transportation planning process including the development of the RTP and the TIP, by identifying and developing potential transportation projects and policies and to provide technical analysis and other requested information to agencies, elected officials and the general public. Such policy, funding and planning assistance facilitates the full and effective participation of the City of Chicago in the regional planning process.

Project Manager: Brenda McGruder

Progress: Comprehensive Multi-Modal Transportation Plan-Framework Study

The initial scope of work was revised, based on Washington D.C.'s most recent draft of their multi-modal plan document.

BNSF Line - Little Village Paseo, Phase 1 Feasibility Study - A request for proposals was issued and a consultant proposal was chosen.

Central Loop Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project - Continued observations along the study area corridors. Particular attention is given to curbside usage and bike/pedestrian activity, which will prepare staff for future outreach meetings with businesses within the study area.

Completed CDOT applications for federal funds (specifically the FHWA Highway Safety Improvement Program and the FTA Section 5310 Program). This included analysis of pedestrian crash data and census population data.

Fulton-Randolph Traffic and Curbside Use - funds online, RFP released, consultant selected. Prepared for and attended public meeting for the Fulton Market Land Use Study.

Provided staff oversight and review for the following studies: Central Area Transitway East-West Lakefront, River North/ Streeterville Transit, Metra Typology, West Loop Parking, Transit Friendly Development, Rosemont Blue Line Access, I-290 Corridor, 63rd St. TOD Study and Auburn Station; prepared for and attended

technical advisory and community advisory committee meetings for River North-Streeterville Transit study; attended North Lake Shore Drive Phase I meetings, I-290 Corridor and Rosemont Blue Line Access.

Submitted numerous TIP changes/amendments to CMAP to assure fiscal constraint of CDOT's program of projects.

Products: Comprehensive Multi-Modal Transportation Plan-Framework Study
2nd draft of the scope of work has been drafted and is being reviewed.

BNSF Line - Little Village Paseo, Phase 1 Feasibility Study - NA

Central Loop Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project - Documentation of observation notes

CDOT applications for funds

River North-Streeterville surveys for employees, residents and visitors, first screening results; technical memoranda for Central Area Transitway

Rock Island Trail Feasibility Report

Fiscally constrained TIP

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Comprehensive Multi-Modal Transportation Plan-Framework Study- Finalize scope of work and issue a request for proposals. Choose consultant proposal and start the procurement process.

BNSF Line - Little Village Paseo, Phase 1 Feasibility Study - Start and finish the procurement process for the chosen consultant. Issue the notice to proceed and start the study by the end of October 2014.

Central Loop Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project - Continue observations and conduct any data inquiries on the project as directed.

Monitor whether applications will be chosen for funding.

Meet with IDOT regarding conceptual plans, profiles and cross section views in the city segment of the I-290 Corridor.

Fulton-Randolph Traffic and Curbside Use - prepare task order

Complete East-West and Lakefront Corridor Transitway studies; continue work on River North - Streeterville Transit study, including first public meeting and third technical advisory committee meeting; continue work on IDOT and CDOT Phase I study coordination; develop plan for a bus turnaround adjacent to the Lakefront Busway for Soldier Field events; coordinate visitor survey with RTA.

Comprehensive Multi-Modal Transportation Plan-Framework Study

Purpose:

CDOT is preparing city-wide plans focused on various strategic initiatives, consistent with its "Chicago Forward Action Agenda." These plans include: Streets for Cycling, Streetscapes, Pedestrians, and BRT. CDOT has also recently initiated a geographic district-based approach for community transportation planning. CDOT now intends to create an overall framework for a Comprehensive Transportation Plan that will integrate these city- and district-based plans, objectives, and processes with regional transportation plans, priorities, and goals.

Project Manager: Phil Banae

Progress: the initial scope of works has been revised. A new project manager has been assigned.

Products: 2nd draft of scope of work has been developed and is under review.

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Finalize scope of work. Issue request for proposals.

CTA

FY 2013 PROJECTS

RED LINE EXTENSION – ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Purpose: The CTA is proposing to make transportation improvements by extending the Red Line from the 95th Street Station to the vicinity of 130th Street. This project is one part of CTA's effort to extend and enhance the entire Red Line and is an identified GOTO 2040 fiscally-constrained project. The CTA has completed an Alternatives Analysis and a Locally Preferred Alternative was identified through the process and designated by the Chicago Transit Board in August 2009. The current step in the process is preparation of a Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Project Manager: Sonali Tandon

Progress: Internal review of the first draft of Draft EIS document was completed. Conducted a public open house meeting, several community meetings, and inter-agency coordination. FTA coordination on the Draft EIS document is ongoing.

Products: Public outreach meeting materials, internal first draft of Draft EIS document

Objectives for the Next Three Months: UWP grant funds have been expended, but the Red Line Extension project is ongoing and near-term objectives are to identify next steps in the Draft EIS based on comments from public outreach and feedback from FTA

RED AND PURPLE MODERNIZATION – ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Purpose:

The CTA is proposing to make improvements to the North Red and Purple lines. The proposal would bring the existing transit stations, track systems and structures into a state of good repair and ADA compliant from north of Belmont station to the Linden terminal. This project is one part of CTA's effort to extend and enhance the entire Red Line and is an identified GOTO 2040 fiscally-constrained project. Environmental scoping meetings were conducted in January. The current step in the process is preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Project Manager: Stephen Hands

Progress:

Products:

Objectives for the Next Three Months:

FOREST PARK BLUE LINE RECONSTRUCTION AND MODERNIZATION PLANNING

Purpose: The purpose of this project is for the preliminary concept planning and engineering for the reconstruction and modernization of the Forest Park branch of CTA's Blue Line, complementing IDOT planning for I-290 reconstruction

Project Manager: Janine Farzin

Progress: (As detailed in previous reports, Tasks 2, 3, 4, and 9 were completed.)

Task 5: Station design prototypes have been developed and several architectural and engineering elements are being refined.

Task 6: Refined analysis of conceptual service patterns - recommendations being prepared.

Task 7: Travel demand modeling is ongoing.

Task 8: Recommendations for corridor options are complete, documentation is being prepared.

Task 10: CTA prepared outreach materials for IDOT I-290 July Corridor Advisory Mtg.

Products: See progress notes. Renderings for Task 5 have been developed, although these are being refined and additional renderings are being developed. Draft presentation materials for IDOT I-290 July Corridor Advisory Mtg.

Objectives for the Next Three Months: .To finalize outreach materials for IDOT I-290 CAG meeting presentation. Refine details for station renderings and Forest Park yard, shop, and terminal site.

PEDESTRIAN MODELING FOR CTA FACILITIES

Purpose: This project will study pedestrian movement through proposed station designs to

enhance access and egress for customers. Potential choke points will be analyzed and equipment and facilities will be studied to improve efficiency and analyze emergency evacuations. The project will analyze high volume stations like the proposed replacement stations in the Loop. The project will study varying levels of demand, and will be used to help plan for larger than normal crowds that can be expected from special events.

Project Manager: Robert Vance

Progress: Continued to integrate passenger information into simulation model. Continued to calibrate model inputs.

Products: Updated rail simulation model, improved integration tools, and analysis of passenger movements through system.

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Continue to calibrate model inputs.

SERVICE CHANGE ELASTICITIES

Purpose:

CTA service cuts implemented in 2010 included frequency reduction on 119 bus routes and 7 rail lines; span reduction on 41 bus routes; and elimination of 9 express bus routes. This project will study the ridership impact of these service cuts with respect to bus and rail, peak and off peak, weekday and weekend. Riders' response with respect to different routes will also be studied and documented. Schedule and ridership data from before and after cuts will be used to calculate service elasticities for future service planning and restructuring.

Project Manager: Sonali Tandon

Progress: No work done during this period

Products:

Objectives for the Next Three Months:

UPDATE FARE MODELING CAPABILITY

Purpose:

The purpose of this project is to increase CTA's understanding of customers' sensitivity to fare changes while taking into consideration key factors that may impact price elasticity such as rider type (choice vs. transit dependent), trip type (commute vs non-commute) and transit type (rail vs. bus); update the current fares model with new elasticities and fare structure; provide CTA with capability to make future modifications to the fares model to allow for quick analysis of the impacts of potential changes to the fare structure.

Project Manager: Sonali Tandon

Progress: No work done during this period.

Products:**Objectives for the Next Three Months:**

UPDATING SYSTEM ANNUAL RIDERSHIP FORECASTING MODEL

Purpose:

CTA projects system ridership annually for budget purposes using an in house ridership model. The model takes into account factors like regional employment, fuel costs, transit fare, and service availability. This project includes researching other variables that might have an impact on ridership; updating and redeveloping the current model using more recent data on selected variables; restructuring the model to generate results in the current reporting format and to facilitate future updates.

Project Manager: Sonali Tandon

Progress: No work done during this period.

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Products:

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Update Annual Ridership Model with last year's data and use the tool to forecast ridership for next year.

FY 2014 PROJECTS

Program Development

Purpose: Facilitates CTA's efforts to coordinate the provision of capital projects for customers in its service area to projects identified within the Chicago area regional five-year Transportation Improvement Program.

Project Manager: Michael Fitzsimons

Progress: Capital project descriptions completed and grant applications submitted for amended grants including the 2014 State Bond part II, for the FY 2014 Federal Formula program to reflect final allocation and to ready for project awards, and for the RTA Discretionary local source granted funds. Capital Improvement Program (CIP) scenarios developed to account for revised funding levels, new source of funds, new projects and refinements to existing projects scope and budgets for 4th quarter program amendment to CTA and RTA Boards.

Products: FY 2014-2018 CIP analysis and materials completed, and presented to CTA Board in June and RTA Board for approval and inclusion in the regional constrained TIP. CIP amendment included the addition of federal formula funds based on the final FY 2014 regional allocation; the introduction of RTA Discretionary sourced funds provided from previous year favorable variances; and further alignment of State Bond funded projects to reflect anticipated grants. Issuance of 2014 CTA Sales Tax Bond funds to provide for the purchase and rehabilitation of revenue vehicles, and the rehabilitation of infrastructure system wide.

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Final closing amendment to the FY 2014-2018 CIP. Development of the FY 2015-2019 CIP including project plans, descriptions, and budget details for inclusion in the CTA 2015 Budget Book. Submit preliminary FY 2015-2019 plan to the RTA.

Forest Park Blue Line Reconstruction and Modernization Planning

Purpose: Preliminary concept planning and engineering for the reconstruction and modernization of the Forest Park branch of CTA's Blue Line, complementing IDOT planning for I-290 reconstruction. Funding would augment monies received in FY 2013 UWP process. The project is kicking-off in February 2013.

Project Manager: Janine Farzin

Progress : (As detailed in previous reports, Tasks 2, 3, 4, and 9 were completed.)

Task 5: Station design prototypes have been developed and several architectural and engineering elements are being refined.

Task 6: Refined analysis of conceptual service patterns - recommendations being prepared.

Task 7: Travel demand modeling is ongoing.

Task 8: Recommendations for corridor options are complete, documentation is being prepared.

Task 10: CTA prepared outreach materials for IDOT I-290 July Corridor Advisory Mtg.

Products: See progress notes. Renderings for Task 5 have been developed, although these are being refined and additional renderings are being developed. Draft presentation materials for IDOT I-290 July Corridor Advisory Mtg.

Objectives for the Next Three Months: To finalize outreach materials for IDOT I-290 CAG meeting presentation. Refine details for station renderings and Forest Park yard, shop, and terminal site.

Furthering Asset Management & Project Determination

Purpose: The goal of implementing a comprehensive asset management plan is to enhance the data, reports and tools available to inform CTA's prioritization of capital investments and preventive maintenance activities, thereby maximizing the benefits from limited available resources and minimizing lifecycle asset costs. Implementation will assure compliance with recent federal mandates (MAP 21), as well as provide a more comprehensive, cross-functional view of CTA's asset portfolio and software systems.

Project Manager: David Johnson

Progress: Currently finalizing a task order scope of work, which will be issued as part of a request for proposals within CTA's "General Planning Consulting" pool of pre-qualified contractors. Draft scope of work is completely, with reviews and revisions amongst CTA stakeholders ongoing.

Products:

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Conduct and complete procurement ,expected by end of Spring 2014, with project kick-off shortly following.

Cook County

FY 2013 PROJECTS

TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Purpose:

The purpose is to provide for the ongoing development and maintenance of the Cook County 2040 Transportation Plan, which is needed to manage future growth and travel demand. The Transportation Plan is a tool that guides the programming and planning of transportation infrastructure improvements, projects, and services and the allocation of financial resources.

Project Manager: Jennifer Killen, P.E., PTOE, Bureau Chief of Transportation and Planning

Progress Hosted second Advisory Committee meeting on June 5th. Social Media is active and engaging the public. Public outreach via group presentations has been underway.

Products: MetroQuest Phase I - Issue Identification has been completed, MetroQuest Phase II Scenario Evaluation has been created and will be launched September 1st. Draft Vision Statement, Multimodal Analysis Summary, and Draft Goals and Objectives have been created. The 'Existing Conditions Technical Memorandum - Part I, Part II and Part III' has been completed..

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Synthesize input for Phase II - Scenario Evaluation. Host the third Advisory Committee meeting for September 16th. Begin Financial Analysis of Project Cost Estimates..

Regional Council of Mayors

FY 2014 PROJECTS

SUBREGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING, PROGRAMMING, AND MANAGEMENT

Purpose: The purpose is to provide for strategic participation by local officials in the region's transportation process as required by SAFETEA-LU, the Regional Planning Act and future legislation. To support the Council of Mayors by providing STP, CMAQ, SRTS, BRR, HPP, ITEP and other program development and monitoring, general liaison services, technical assistance and communication assistance.

Project Manager: Council of Mayors

Progress:

Program Development – Surface Transportation and Program Monitoring

Number of Council of Mayors Meetings: 25

Number of STP Projects Monitored: 349

Kickoff Meetings Held: 40

Federal Coordination Meetings Attended: 11

Number of STP Projects Let: 25

Other STP Activities:

In addition to monitoring their own STP Program, Liaisons participated in the following activities: Cook DuPage Study, IDOT I-290 Study, IDOT I-55 Study, Pace ART Study, Create, RTA Access to Transit Workshop, IL APA Spring Conference, IL Bike Summit, Trails Linking Communities, GreenTown Chicago, Brown Bag on Transit Expansion session, CMAP Public Open Houses for GOTO 2040 Plan Update at both Kane and Kendall Counties, Ride In Kane Sponsors committee meeting June, Lake County Coordinated Transportation Services Committee, manage the NW Demo Dial-a-Ride Service; Coordinate with Pace and RTA regarding the NW Demo service, developed and continue to maintain social media presence of via Facebook and Twitter, IML Legislative Day, LTA Informational Session, Cal Sag Coalition Meeting, met with various local public agencies to discuss potential STP projects, met with Center for Neighborhood Technology to discuss STP and Priority Development Areas, convened South Suburban GIS Consortium meeting in June, continued work on the IL 394 and IL 1 Corridor Study, participated in the Illinois State Freight Advisory Council, met with multiple communities to discuss the LTA program and assisted in the development of applications, IL 53 Finance and Land Use Committees, Evanston Bike Plan Steering Committee, Skokie Valley Trail strategy meeting, I-290 IDOT Study; I-90 IDOT Study; monitoring and working on RTA Cicero Connections; monitoring and working on LTA West Suburban Chamber of

Commerce and Industry TOD and COD Plan; working with Cook County Bureau of Economic Development on Planning; revised STP Call for Projects Methodology and Application, attended the American Planning Association National Conference in Atlanta, Illiana Corridor local planning committee, Will County Paratransit Committee, Will County CED Global Transportation Council, Will County CED Board (3), Will County Economic Development Outlook Breakfast, Joliet Arsenal Development Authority TMA Meeting, Will County Freight Planning

The Councils also monitored CMAQ, TAP, ITEP, HPP, SRTS, HBP, HSIP, RTA, LTA, SRF, TCSP, HSR, RTA Planning Programs. They attended a variety of meetings and conferences further detailed in the attached documents.

Products:

Surface Transportation Program - each Council maintains an individual program which is regularly monitored, adjusted and reviewed. Information is continuously updated in the TIP database. They also work frequently and regularly with municipal officials, consultants, elected officials and agencies on project monitoring, implementation and completion.

Newsletters/Annual Reports - newsletters and informational emails are sent on a regular basis.

Other Plans/Programs - input on programs and projects is regularly provided to CMAP, IDOT, the municipalities and various agencies.

Other Reports - as needed

Objectives for the Next Three Months:

The Councils will continue much of the above. They will also participate in some of the following. Please note several Councils may participate in same activities even though they are listed only once. See attached individual reports for more information:

STP Call for Projects, IML Conference, Project kick offs, IDOT CMAP Coordination meetings, staff research and development of bicycle trail wayfinding signage plans, Ride in Kane Community Planning Study project, CMAQ Project Selection Committee, Elgin O'Hare Western Access Local Advisory Committee, County committee meetings (Transportation, Public Transportation), Pace Bus Stakeholder Involvement Group meeting, Cal Sag Coalition Meeting, Council Of Mayors Executive Meeting, CMAP Bike Ped Task Force, continue coordination with the Southeast Service Transit District; continue work on the IL-394 & Rt. 1 Corridor Study, participate in Illinois State Freight Advisory Council meetings, Complete Des Plaines River corridor plan, movement into Phase II of I-294/I-290/IL-64 Ramp Design, prepare communities for CMAQ and TAP call for projects in January, train new Planning Liaisons

INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL REPORTS

Council: Central

Communication and Public Involvement & General Liaison

Number of Council Meetings Held: 1

Number of CMAP Meetings Attended: 6

Please List: CMAP Board, UWP. CMAP Transportation, Council of Mayors Executive Committee, Human and Community Development, PI meeting

Any other activities or meetings attended: Coordination meeting with Cook County, Pace Workshop, Create event

Program Development – Surface Transportation Program

Number of STP Projects Monitored: 13

Kick-Off Meetings Held: 0

Federal Coordination Meetings: 1

Number of STP Projects Let: 1

Any other activities under STP Program: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Program Monitoring

Number of CMAQ Projects Monitored: 2

Number of ITEP Projects Monitored: 9

Number of HPP Projects Monitored: 2

Number of SRTS Projects Monitored: 2

Number of HBP Projects Monitored: 0

Number of HSIP Projects Monitored: 0

Number of Other Projects Monitored: 1

Other activities or funding sources monitored: IDOT Grant for Cook DuPage Smart Corridors Study

Technical Assistance

Activities, meetings or workshops attended that are of benefit to your Council or the Council of Mayors as a whole (include corridor studies/meetings, guideline reviews, methodology review, call for projects, newsletters, informational emails, etc.): Cook DuPage Study, IDOT I-290 Study, IDOT I-55 Study, Pace ART Study, Create, WCMC Bike Committee, WCMC Newsletter

Upcoming Months

Activities planned for the next quarter (July, August, and September): WCMC Transportation Committee, WCMC Bike Committee, CMAP meetings, STP Call for Projects, IML Conference, Project kick offs, IDOT CMAP Coordination meetings, WCMC Board meeting, Bike Webinar

Council: DuPage

NO REPORT

Council: Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors

Communication and Public Involvement & General Liaison

Number of Council Meetings Held: KKCOM Transportation Policy Committee Meeting

Number of CMAP Meetings Attended: 12

Please List: Board Meeting (April, May, June), Transportation Committee Meeting (April), Council of Mayors Executive Committee (May), Bike/Ped Task Force (June), CMAW Project Selection Committee (April, June), PL meetings (April, June), GOTO 2040 Open Houses Kane/Kendall (July)

Any other activities or meetings attended: RTA Access to Transit Workshop, IL APA Spring Conference, IL Bike Summit, Elgin-McLean Blvd IDOT Kick-Off, Trails Linking Communities, Aurora-Eola Rd IDOT Kick-Off, South Elgin-SRTS FHWA Meeting, Kane County-Kirk Rd FHWA Meeting, Roadside Landscaping Webinar, GreenTown Chicago, Sleepy Hollow-Boncosky Kick-Off, Kane County-Longmeadow Pkwy PII IDOT Kick-Off, Brown Bag on Transit Expansion session, attended Introduction to Metropolitan Planning 3 day training seminar, CMAP Public Open Houses for GOTO 2040 Plan Update at both Kane and Kendall Counties

Program Development – Surface Transportation Program

Number of STP Projects Monitored: 45 (B List Included)

Kick-Off Meetings Held: 5

Federal Coordination Meetings: 2

Number of STP Projects Let: 4- Duagn Rd, Tyler Road, Cannonball Trail, Campton Hills Road

Any other activities under STP Program: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Program Monitoring

Number of CMAQ Projects Monitored: 25

Number of ITEP Projects Monitored: 10

Number of HPP Projects Monitored: 5

Number of SRTS Projects Monitored: 12

Number of HBP Projects Monitored: 15

Number of HSIP Projects Monitored: 2

Number of Other Projects Monitored: 1

Other activities or funding sources monitored: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Technical Assistance

Activities, meetings or workshops attended that are of benefit to your Council or the Council of Mayors as a whole (include corridor studies/meetings, guideline reviews, methodology review, call for projects, newsletters, informational emails, etc.): Carpentersville Bike Planning Meeting, Yorkville Bike Planning Meeting, Elgin Bike Planning Meeting, Oswego Bike Planning Meeting, South Elgin Bike/Ped Plan Steering Committee, Aurora Bike Planning Meeting, Montgomery Bike Planning Meeting, Kane County Community Health Assessment Stakeholder Kick-Off, Elgin Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting, Ride In Kane Sponsors committee meeting June, staff coordination for RTA Community Planning Grant - Ride in Kane Program Assessment and consultant selection, RTA quarterly reporting for RIK program, project kick off, KKCOM website redevelopment, Kane County Planning Cooperative – continuing assistance, publication of bimonthly KKCOM newsletter April/May, attended Kendall Mayors and Managers quarterly meeting – staff support

Upcoming Months

Activities planned for the next quarter (July, August, and September): KKCOM Full Council Meeting (July), KKCOM Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee meeting (August), staff research and development of bicycle trail wayfinding signage plans, Ride in Kane Community Planning Study project kick off and key person interviews with consultant, evaluate and provide comments on projects submitted for LTA assistance, staff participation in Health Impact Assessment for LTA project in Council community, staff participation in Fox River Corridor Study LTA project in Council community,

Council: Lake

Communication and Public Involvement & General Liaison

Number of Council Meetings Held: 1

Number of CMAP Meetings Attended: 10

Please List: CMAQ PSC 4/3,5/15,6/12; CMAP Board 5/14,6/11; Exec Com 5/20; UWP 6/11; Bike/Ped 6/18; GoTo 2040 update open house 6/17; Transportation Com 6/6

Any other activities or meetings attended: Rt 53/120 Finance Com 5/8,6/30; NWMC TC 5/22

Program Development – Surface Transportation Program

Number of STP Projects Monitored: 43

Kick-Off Meetings Held: 6

Federal Coordination Meetings: 3

Number of STP Projects Let: 2

Any other activities under STP Program: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Program Monitoring

Number of CMAQ Projects Monitored: 19

Number of ITEP Projects Monitored: 12

Number of HPP Projects Monitored: 3

Number of SRTS Projects Monitored: 8

Number of HBP Projects Monitored: 5

Number of HSIP Projects Monitored: 1

Number of Other Projects Monitored: TCSP 1; HSR 2

Other activities or funding sources monitored: Bona has been providing staff support to the Lake County Coordinated Transportation Services Committee (a consortium of townships, not-for-profit public assistance organizations and municipalities) to coordinate and facilitate non-traditional transportation services for the disabled, the elderly and low income constituencies in Lake County. In that capacity Bona has been the working to implement demonstration projects in the County federally funded through the RTA.

Technical Assistance

Activities, meetings or workshops attended that are of benefit to your Council or the Council of Mayors as a whole (include corridor studies/meetings, guideline reviews, methodology review, call for projects, newsletters, informational emails, etc.): Emails to LC COM to inform them of the funding sources available and other emails communicating; Serve as the technical support staff for the Lake County Coordinated Services Committee (LCCTSC); Manage the NW Demo Dial-a-Ride Service; Coordinate with Pace and RTA regarding the NW Demo service. Bruce and Bona have been providing assistance to numerous units of local government relative to ongoing federal projects and technical assistance through pre-application meetings.

Upcoming Months

Activities planned for the next quarter (July, August, and September): Continued assistance to the LCCTSC and units of local government in Lake County.

Council: McHenry County Council of Mayors

Communication and Public Involvement & General Liaison

Number of Council Meetings Held: 1 - May 15th

Number of CMAP Meetings Attended: 17

Please List: CMAQ Committee meeting (2), CMAQ Project Selection Committee (1), Regional Freight Operations Committee (1), CMAP Board (3), CMAP EDC meeting (1), Legislative Group meeting (1), CMAP Transportation Committee (2), PL meeting (2), MPO Policy Committee (2), Council of Mayors Exec. Committee (1) & CMAP LTA application for CEDs (1)

Any other activities or meetings attended: McHenry County MAPP Subgroup meeting, Ad Hoc Clean Air Counts Advisory Committee, McHenry County Green Team Meeting, Illinois 47 CAG meeting, McHenry County ITF Meeting, TMA Lake Cook Annual meeting & meetings with municipalities about various projects.

Program Development – Surface Transportation Program

Number of STP Projects Monitored: 18

Kick-Off Meetings Held: 7

Federal Coordination Meetings: 0

Number of STP Projects Let: 1

Any other activities under STP Program: Revised STP Call for Projects Methodology and Application approved at the May 15th McCOM meeting. Start of STP Call for Project for FY 2017-2019 announced at May 15th McCOM meeting. PL Contract for SFY 2015 approved at the May 15th McCOM meeting.

Program Monitoring

Number of CMAQ Projects Monitored: 4

Number of ITEP Projects Monitored: 1

Number of HPP Projects Monitored: 1

Number of SRTS Projects Monitored: 2

Number of HBP Projects Monitored: Various from MCDOT, Prairie Grove and Barrington Hills

Number of HSIP Projects Monitored: 1

Number of Other Projects Monitored: 0

Other activities or funding sources monitored: ITEP, HSIP, SRTS Call for Projects.

Technical Assistance

Activities, meetings or workshops attended that are of benefit to your Council or the Council of Mayors as a whole (include corridor studies/meetings, guideline reviews, methodology review, call for projects, newsletters, informational emails, etc.): Attended the American Planning Association National Conference in Atlanta. Worked with CMAP as they started the GO TO 2040 Update. Regular IDOT updates and emails about project forms, Conformity Analysis and TIP changes.

Upcoming Months

Activities planned for the next quarter (July, August, and September): Continue all of the above, except the APA Conference. Take part in the McHenry County ITF. Review the McCOM Call for Projects STP. IDOT lettings and update the TIP. Train the new Planning Liaison and Principal Transportation Planner.

Council: North Central

Communication and Public Involvement & General Liaison

Number of Council Meetings Held: 1

Number of CMAP Meetings Attended: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Please List: CMAP Board – April 9, 2014

Any other activities or meetings attended: Northlake Northwest Avenue CMAQ Meeting – April 15, 2014; Melrose Park CMAQ EII – April 22, 2014; Meeting with CNT on STP – April 23, 2014

Program Development – Surface Transportation Program

Number of STP Projects Monitored: 21

Kick-Off Meetings Held: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Federal Coordination Meetings: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Number of STP Projects Let: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Any other activities under STP Program: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Program Monitoring

Number of CMAQ Projects Monitored: 14

Number of ITEP Projects Monitored: 5

Number of HPP Projects Monitored: 6

Number of SRTS Projects Monitored: 9

Number of HBP Projects Monitored: 0

Number of HSIP Projects Monitored: 0

Number of Other Projects Monitored: 5 [Click here to enter text.](#)

Other activities or funding sources monitored: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Technical Assistance

Activities, meetings or workshops attended that are of benefit to your Council or the Council of Mayors as a whole (include corridor studies/meetings, guideline reviews, methodology review, call for projects, newsletters, informational emails, etc.): Regular monitoring and adjusting of the STP Program and TIP for all federally funded and certain state funded projects; Continue to support Go To 2040 Plan efforts; Continue Active Program Management for federally funded (STP, CMAQ, ITEP etc.) projects; Cook DuPage Corridor Involvement; TOD/COD study with CNT and rollout; Planned Development Areas work with CNT; I-290 IDOT Study; I-90 IDOT Study; WCMC Bike Committee and Continuous Updating of Bike Plan; Independent GIS Training; Work on monthly Transportation newsletters for WCMC; Tracking of CNT meetings with all municipalities in WCMC for their Planned Economic Development discussions that coincide with COD/TOD study; worked with CNT regarding the Council's STP expenditures and methodology; monitoring and working on RTA Cicero Connections;

monitoring and working on LTA West Suburban Chamber of Commerce and Industry TOD and COD Plan; Monitoring and working on LTA Cicero Comprehensive Plan; working with WSCCI LTA Plan. Working with Cook County Bureau of Economic Development on Planning; . Assumed duties of the Central Council of Mayors while the Liaison is on maternity leave.

Upcoming Months

Activities planned for the next quarter (July, August, and September): All the Above including monitoring I-90 expansion, RTA/CMAP Merger discussion, increased legislative monitoring, working closely with suburban chambers of commerce in conjunction with planned development areas as well as the ongoing COD/TOD report and study in cooperation with CNT. Cicero Connections Study. Movement into Phase II of I-294/I-290/IL-64 Ramp Design

Council: Northwest

Communication and Public Involvement & General Liaison

Number of Council Meetings Held: 1

Number of CMAP Meetings Attended: 17

Please List: CMAQ (4/3), CMAP Board (4/9), Land Use (4/16), Transportation (4/25), Planning Liaisons (4/25), MPO Policy (5/12), CMAP Board (5/14), CMAQ (5/15), Council of Mayors (5/20), Land Use (5/21), Transportation (6/6), Planning Liaisons (6/6), MPO Policy (6/12), Local Technical Assistance kickoff- Arlington Heights (6/12), CMAQ (6/12), Land Use (6/18), Bike/Ped (6/18)

Any other activities or meetings attended: Des Plaines Trail Corridor Plan (4/1), Northwest Council Methodology Review (4/1), Transit Future Campaign (4/3), Des Plaines River Trail ride (4/21), Des Plaines River Trail coordination meeting (4/22), NWMC Transportation (4/24), American Planning Association annual meeting (4/25 – 4/30), Route 53/120 Land Use and Finance Committees (5/8), Trails Linking Communities (5/9), NWMC Transportation (5/22), NWMC Bike/Ped (5/28), Skokie Valley Trail meeting (5/29), Cook County Transportation Plan (6/5), NWMC Bike/Ped (6/17)

Program Development – Surface Transportation Program

Number of STP Projects Monitored: 42

Kick-Off Meetings Held: 3

Federal Coordination Meetings: 0

Number of STP Projects Let: 1

Any other activities under STP Program: Began analyzing Council methodology through STP Methodology Working Group. Will review and discuss revising current STP scoring system and procedures

Program Monitoring

Number of CMAQ Projects Monitored: 18

Number of ITEP Projects Monitored: 10

Number of HPP Projects Monitored: 3

Number of SRTS Projects Monitored: 11

Number of HBP Projects Monitored: 3

Number of HSIP Projects Monitored: 1

Number of Other Projects Monitored: 0

Other activities or funding sources monitored: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Technical Assistance

Activities, meetings or workshops attended that are of benefit to your Council or the Council of Mayors as a whole (include corridor studies/meetings, guideline reviews, methodology review, call for projects, newsletters, informational emails, etc.): See meetings and methodology review work above. Also articles for NWMC Director's Weekly Briefing, three NWMC Transportation Newsletters, maintain @NWMCTrans Twitter feed

Upcoming Months

Activities planned for the next quarter (July, August, and September): Completion of work on LTA funded Des Plaines River Corridor Plan (target September), continued monitoring of STP and other federally funded projects in Northwest Council, Continue work on methodology review with Northwest Council Technical Committee, monitoring of possible legislation in response to Transit Task Force report, prepare communities for CMAQ and TAP call for projects in January, interview for new North Shore PL

Council: North Shore

Communication and Public Involvement & General Liaison

Number of Council Meetings Held: 1

Number of CMAP Meetings Attended: 14

Please List: CMAP Transportation Committee, PL Meeting, CMAQ Project Selection Committee, CMAP Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force, CMAP Board, CMAP Coordinating Committees, CMAP Council of Mayors Executive Committee, MPO Policy Committee

Any other activities or meetings attended: NWMC Transportation Committee, NWMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee, North Shore Technical Committee, Cook County Transportation Plan Steering Committee, Des Plaines River Trail Steering Committee, IL 53 Finance and Land Use Committees, Evanston Bike Plan Steering Committee

Program Development – Surface Transportation Program

Number of STP Projects Monitored: 24

Kick-Off Meetings Held: 5

Federal Coordination Meetings: 0

Number of STP Projects Let: 0

Any other activities under STP Program: Prepared and reviewed paperwork (PPI forms, Local Agency Agreements), met with Glenview to discuss STP programming, Began coordination for next STP call for projects

Program Monitoring

Number of CMAQ Projects Monitored: 16

Number of ITEP Projects Monitored: 10

Number of HPP Projects Monitored: 7

Number of SRTS Projects Monitored: 13

Number of HBP Projects Monitored: 2

Number of HSIP Projects Monitored: 0

Number of Other Projects Monitored: 2

Other activities or funding sources monitored: Provided information about grade crossing funding

Technical Assistance

Activities, meetings or workshops attended that are of benefit to your Council or the Council of Mayors as a whole (include corridor studies/meetings, guideline reviews, methodology review, call for projects, newsletters, informational emails, etc.): NWMC Transportation Committee meeting, North

Shore Technical Committee meeting, NWMC, IL 53 Finance and Land Use Committees, Evanston Bike Plan Steering Committee, Skokie Valley Trail strategy meeting

Upcoming Months

Activities planned for the next quarter (July, August, and September): Complete Des Plaines River corridor plan, prepare new STP call for projects

Council: South

Communication and Public Involvement & General Liaison

Number of Council Meetings Held: 6: April 1 Transportation Committee, April 17 Business Meeting, May 6 Transportation Committee, May 15 Business Meeting, June 3 Transportation Committee, June 19 Business Meeting

Number of CMAP Meetings Attended: 10

Please List: April 9 Board, May 8 Economic Development Committee, May 14 Board, May 15 CMAQ Project Selection Committee, May 20 Council of Mayors Executive Committee, June 6 Transportation Committee, June 6 Planning Liaisons, June 12 MPO Policy Committee, June 12 CMAQ Project Selection Committee, June 18 Bike-Ped Task Force,

Any other activities or meetings attended: Staff presented information on major transportation projects to the Southland Chamber Gov't. Affairs Committee. Published STP information on the SSMMA website. Provided transportation reports at monthly Suburban Public Works Directors Association meetings. Attended an IDOT DBE Outreach Event for the Illiana Corridor in April. Attended CSEDC Quarterly Forum in April. Attended IDOT SSA Briefing. Provided reports to the SCRTD Board.

Program Development – Surface Transportation Program

Number of STP Projects Monitored: 56

Kick-Off Meetings Held: 2

Federal Coordination Meetings: 5

Number of STP Projects Let: 4

Any other activities under STP Program: Continued semi-monthly update calls w/ IDOT regarding University Parkway/Stuenkel Road reconstruction. Attended multiple meetings with Will County Board and committees to secure local match funding for University Parkway. Met with various local public agencies to discuss potential STP projects. Met with Center for Neighborhood Technology to discuss STP and Priority Development Areas.

Program Monitoring

Number of CMAQ Projects Monitored: 13

Number of ITEP Projects Monitored: 12

Number of HPP Projects Monitored: 3

Number of SRTS Projects Monitored: 3

Number of HBP Projects Monitored: 2

Number of HSIP Projects Monitored: 1

Number of Other Projects Monitored: 2

Other activities or funding sources monitored: Facilitated CMAQ Project Status Updates.

Technical Assistance

Activities, meetings or workshops attended that are of benefit to your Council or the Council of Mayors as a whole (include corridor studies/meetings, guideline reviews, methodology review, call for projects, newsletters, informational emails, etc.): Produced transportation articles for the SSMMA biweekly newsletter. Distributed information through email on behalf of RTA, Metra, Pace, CMAP and IDOT, including legislative priorities, route changes, funding opportunities, planning initiatives and other technical matters. Convened South Suburban GIS Consortium meeting in June, developed and presented a GIS Atlas presentation for village boards, worked with SSMMA GIS staff to continue development of a transportation viewer on the South Suburban GIS Atlas. Continued work on the IL 394 and IL 1 Corridor Study: held multiple stakeholder interviews, steering committee meetings and a public workshop. Developed an intergovernmental agreement with SCRTD to conduct mapping of the Southeast Service Corridor and assisted SCRTD in selecting a consultant for a feasibility study. Hosted a GoTo 2040 Update Open house. Participated in the Illinois State Freight Advisory Council. Participated in the Blue Island Rowing Center working group. Met with multiple communities to discuss the LTA program and assisted in the development of applications. Attended the APA National Conference. Developed and distributed a Metra Electric District ridership survey.

Upcoming Months

Activities planned for the next quarter (July, August, and September): Open a call for projects for the FFY2015-2019 STP and review applications. Convene Transportation Committee meeting in September; Convene Technical Advisory Group meetings as needed; Provide reports at SSMMA meetings; Continue coordination with the Southeast Service Transit District; Act as liaison to Suburban Public Works Directors Association; Coordinate transportation planning and programming activities with SSMMA economic development, housing, watershed and land use planning and GIS Atlas, Coordinate with IDOT, CMAP and local public agencies to promote the completion of transportation projects, Continue work on the IL-394 & Rt. 1 Corridor Study – receive and review the market analysis element. Continue to develop

the transportation pages of ssmma.org. Participate in Blue Island Rowing Center working group. Participate in Illinois State Freight Advisory Council meetings.

Council: Southwest Conference of Mayors

Communication and Public Involvement & General Liaison

Number of Council Meetings Held: 2

Number of CMAP Meetings Attended: 12

Please List: CMAQ Project Selection Committee, CMAP Board, CMAP Transportation Committee, PL Meeting, Council Of Mayors Executive Committee, Bike Ped Task Force,

Any other activities or meetings attended: Go to 2040 Plan Update Meeting

Program Development – Surface Transportation Program

Number of STP Projects Monitored: 25

Kick-Off Meetings Held: 2

Federal Coordination Meetings: 0

Number of STP Projects Let: 4

Any other activities under STP Program: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Program Monitoring

Number of CMAQ Projects Monitored: 9

Number of ITEP Projects Monitored: 1

Number of HPP Projects Monitored: 0

Number of SRTS Projects Monitored: 12

Number of HBP Projects Monitored: 0

Number of HSIP Projects Monitored: 0

Number of Other Projects Monitored: 0

Other activities or funding sources monitored: 0

Technical Assistance

Activities, meetings or workshops attended that are of benefit to your Council or the Council of Mayors as a whole (include corridor studies/meetings, guideline reviews, methodology review, call for projects, newsletters, informational emails, etc.): Public Works Live Line Demo Training, Public Works Durapatcher Demonstration, Access to Transit Workshop, Ridgeland Avenue Corridor Committee, Public Works Chainsaw Safety Training, IML Legislative Day, SCM Public Works Committee Meeting, Pace Meeting with Village of Justice, LTA Informational Session, Cal Sag Coalition Meeting,

Upcoming Months

Activities planned for the next quarter (July, August, and September): CMAP Board, SCM Public Works Committee Meeting, Palos Heights Kick off Meeting, CMAP Transportation Committee Meeting, PL Meeting, IDOT/CMAP/PL Coordination Meeting, IML Public Works Meeting, Cal Sag Coalition Meeting, SCM Golf Outing, Orland Park Kick Off Meeting, Council Of Mayors Executive Meeting, SCM Public Works Committee Meeting, CMAP Bike Ped Task Force, CMAP Transportation Committee Meeting, PL Meeting, SCM Business Meeting.

Council: Will County Council of Mayors

Communication and Public Involvement & General Liaison

Number of Council Meetings Held: 3

Number of CMAP Meetings Attended: 14

Please List: CMAP Board (2), CMAP Housing (2), CMAP/MPC Regional Water Supply, CMAP Freight Leadership Task Force (3), CMAP Land Use Committee (2), MPO Policy Committee, CMAP Transportation Committee, CMAP Human and Community Development Committee.

Any other activities or meetings attended: Attended CMAP Go To 2040 Will County Open House

Program Development – Surface Transportation Program

Number of STP Projects Monitored: 12

Kick-Off Meetings Held: 6

Federal Coordination Meetings: 0

Number of STP Projects Let: 4

Any other activities under STP Program: Reviewed WCGL STP methodology, Issued a Call for Projects

Program Monitoring

Number of CMAQ Projects Monitored: 4

Number of ITEP Projects Monitored: 3

Number of HPP Projects Monitored: 3

Number of SRTS Projects Monitored: 9

Number of HBP Projects Monitored: 6

Number of HSIP Projects Monitored: 0

Number of Other Projects Monitored: 3

Other activities or funding sources monitored: TAP

Technical Assistance

Activities, meetings or workshops attended that are of benefit to your Council or the Council of Mayors as a whole (include corridor studies/meetings, guideline reviews, methodology review, call for projects, newsletters, informational emails, etc.): Illiana Corridor local planning committee, Will County Paratransit Committee, Will County CED Global Transportation Council (3), Will County CED Board (3), Will County Economic Development Outlook Breakfast, Joliet Arsenal Development Authority TMA Meeting, Will County Freight Planning, Meeting with Peru and Ottawa, Pace Bus on shoulder event, Illiana IDOT Corridor Planning Group, Will County Legislative Committee, Lockport State of the City, Attended the American Planning Association National Planning Conference

Upcoming Months

Activities planned for the next quarter (July, August, and September): Complete Call projects, score project applications and draft a program. Program selected and approved STP projects into the TIP. Continue active program management of current STP programs.

Lake County

FY 2014 PROJECTS

Route 53/120 Corridor Land Use and Transportation Plan

Purpose: Project proposal calls to work toward the implementation of the GO TO 2040 Major Capital Project, "Central Lake County Corridor: IL 53 North and IL 120 Limited Access", by developing the Corridor Land Use and Transportation Plan to integrate the Illinois Tollway's road project with land use, transportation, economic development and open space through active and collaborative local government participation.

Project Manager: Jason Navota

Progress: In Q4 the contractor continued work on Task 1 Project Management, Task 2 Outreach and Education, and Task 3 Existing Conditions Assessment of the project scope of work. These tasks included: refine study area boundary; coordinate, prepare materials, and participate in the the second Land Use Committee meeting; attending a number of coordination meetings with project partners and team members; collect data and other information associated with producing market, environment, transportation, and land use components of the existing conditions assessment; meet individually with Land Use Committee members and municipalities to gather input and information; assemble list of key stakeholders and focus group meetings; launch project website.

Products: Land Use Committee meeting presentation and materials; interim draft ECA deliverables including maps, methodologies, key findings, and draft summary report; Land Use Committee meeting summaries and notes; list of stakeholders; project website.

Objectives for the Next Three Months: During FY15Q1 the consultant will: coordinate and conduct individual meetings with stakeholders and focus groups, and prepare meeting notes; prepare presentation and meeting materials for the third (and possibly fourth) Land Use Committee meeting; continue to refine and populate project website; conduct / attend regular project coordination meetings; prepare draft and final Existing Conditions Assessment for review and feedback, including hot spots and cool spots; prepare for and/or conduct initial public outreach workshop and other public outreach efforts.

McHenry County

FY 2011 PROJECTS

MCHENRY COUNTY LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Purpose: Long-Range Transportation Plan

Project Manager: Scott Hennings, Principal Transportation Planner

Progress: Materials were transferred from project web site to County website. Plan was adopted by the County Board on March 4th.

Products: Adopted Plan

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Objectives for the Next Three Months: With the project complete, a project balance of \$3,387 remains.

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Metra

FY 2011 PROJECTS

ORIGIN-DESTINATION SURVEY

Purpose:

Update of the 2002, 2006 data on: Metra riders mode of access to and egress from all 240 Metra non-downtown year round stations; locations of homes and non-home destinations; trip purposes; usage of different ticket types concurrently with Meta "Station/Train Boarding and Alighting counts" project.

Project Manager: A. Christopher Wilson, Section Manager, System Planning and Research

Progress: Vendor selected and approved by Metra's board. Survey design, including a link to the parallel on-line RTA-funded Customer Satisfaction survey, is complete. On-train distribution of the origin-destination questionnaire has been completed. Final tabulations and reports should be completed by December 2014.

Products: Origin-Destination surveys, customer satisfaction surveys (in parallel), final results of the surveys to be compiled in a report for public distribution.

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Finish origin-destination surveys, and tabulate results. Process project invoices to expend funds and compensate vendor.

STATION/TRAIN BOARDING AND ALIGHTING COUNT

Purpose: Measure weekday passenger use at the rail station/train level, complementing other regularly collected ridership data which are at more aggregate levels of detail.

Project Manager: A. Christopher Wilson, Section Manager, System Planning and Research

Progress Vendor selected and approved by Metra's board. On-train data collection completed. Final tabulations and reports should be completed by December 2014..

Products: Boarding and alighting count data, final tabulations to be compiled into report for public distribution.

Objectives for the Next Three Months Tabulate results of and prepare final report in tandem with origin-destination survey results. .

FY 2014 PROJECTS

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Purpose: Program development of capital transit planning and administration.

Project Manager: Caitlyn Costello, Program Administrator, Capital Program Development

Progress:

87.5% progress. 2014 and 2014-2018 capital programs and budget have been developed, presented to, and approved by Metra's and RTA's Board of Directors. Capital Program Amendments have been passed by Metra's and RTA's Board in February and May; amendments to be presented in August and September as well. Work on developing the 2015 and 2015-2019 capital programs is underway.

Products: 2015 and 2015-2019 Capital Programs, 2015 Budget Book, analysis of capital investment prioritization through the use of the RTA's Capital Optimization Support Tool (COST).

Objectives for the Next Three Months Development of a constrained 2015 and 2015-2019 program. Program, budget, and budget book to be released for public comment and approved by Board of Directors. Program amendments and budget revisions will ensue. Analysis of capital investments through COST will continue throughout the year. .

Cost-Benefit Analysis of Proposed Metra Expansion Projects

Purpose: Perform Cost Benefit Analysis on proposed Metra projects to assist in prioritization of projects identified as potential long-term expansion projects in Metra's Strategic Plan.

Project Manager: David Kralik, Department Head, Long Range Planning

Progress: The RFP Request For Proposals (RFP) for the Metra Strategic Capital Planning blanket contract, which identifies the cost-benefit analysis work as the first task under that contract, remains under review by Metra's Procurement Department. It is anticipated that consultant selection will be completed and the project work will begin late fall of 2014.

Products: RFP to be released, final report on cost/benefit analysis results

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Release of RFP, receive proposals in response to RFP, preliminary review of proposals to begin selection of consultant team.

Pace

FY 2009 PROJECTS

CUSTOMER SATISFACTION INDEX SURVEY AND LOYALTY PROGRAM

Purpose: The purpose of the program is to objectively and consistently evaluate services from the customers' point of view and to develop action plans to increase customer satisfaction/retention, farebox recovery ratio, and ridership on Pace services. The project will cover the entire family of Pace services to include Fixed Route, Vanpool, and Paratransit.

Project Manager: Richard Yao

Progress: Pace has received the proposals from various bidders for the Fox Valley Market Analysis project. After evaluating bidders from a mix of both technical and economical factors, Pace decided to award the contract to RSG, an experienced Transportation Market Research Consulting firm. Pace is currently working with RSG in the area of finalizing the contract details and project schedule.

Products: RSG's proposal for the Fox Valley Study, and Pace evaluation form for the bidders..

Objectives for the Next Three Months: RSG's proposal for the Fox Valley Study, and Pace evaluation form for the bidders.

FY 2011 PROJECTS

ILES CIRCULATOR MODERNIZATION

Purpose: This project will modernize the Niles Circulators (Pace routes 411, 412, 413) so that they better serve the travel needs of the Village of Niles and support the Milwaukee Arterial Bus Rapid Transit (ART) service by functioning as its feeder service. The Milwaukee Arterial Rapid Transit service and the modernized Niles Circulators is planned to start operating at the same time, approximately 2013.

Project Manager: Charlotte O'Donnell

Progress: The Niles Free Bus Modernization Project kicked off on November 25, 2013. during the 4th quarter of FY 2014 there were multiple steering committee and public meetings that took place. On April 7, 2014 Nelson Nygaard presented the steering committee with 3 service planning alternatives(per task V based off of the work done as part of Task IV) that were reviewed extensively and revisited at a Service Planning Workshop on April 12, 2014. A preferred service alternative was selected in April and taken to the public via 3 "pop-up" meetings in late May and two public information hearings held on June 12, 2014 at the Niles Library (per Task 2.3.1). Following the public outreach efforts a steering committee meeting was held to discuss findings from the public input sessions on June 16, 2014. The final report with implementation recommendations will be provided to Pace staff in early July and the consultant will present the final recommendations to the Niles and Pace Board of Directors.

Products: Service Alternatives Report: preliminary draft and final.Presentation and meeting materials for Steering Committee #3 for 4/7/2014 steering committee meetingPresentation and workshop materials for 4/12/2014 service planning workshopPresentation and handouts for public meetings..

Objectives for the Next Three Months: In the coming months we will have the final version of the service change recommendations as well as 2 formal presentations to both the Niles and Pace board of directors. The contract with Nelson Nygaard is set to expire on October 31, 2014

FY 2012 PROJECT

RIDESHARE SERVICE PROGRAM

Purpose: The Pace Rideshare Program seeks to support individuals and employers in developing carpools and vanpools in support of regional plan objectives.

Project Manager: Kris Skogsbakken

Progress: April/May media outreach resulted in 3.2 million traditional radio impressions, 18.3 million digital impressions, and 22,000 clicks.

Products: Spanish brochures and exhibit displays have completed production.

Objectives for the Next Three Months: \$65,000 media outreach to begin in Sept. 2014. 60 second radio spots to run on 3 stations 4-8x per week AM & PM drive. Digital online including local news, weather, traffic sites; banner ads & facebook ads. Digital paid search ads and Google content network.

FY 2014 PROJECTS

Rideshare Services Program

Purpose: The Pace Rideshare program supports individuals and employers in the Northeastern Illinois region in forming carpools and vanpools to reduce single occupancy vehicle trips, thereby reducing traffic congestion and air pollution, as well as providing transportation to improve job accessibility. A critical component of the program involves strategic marketing that achieves critical mass to improve the matching potential of the participants.

Project Manager: Kris Skogsbakken

Progress: See FY 12 Grant

Products:

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Project is complete.

TIP Development and Modeling

Purpose: To develop a fiscally constrained Pace bus Capital Improvement Program for the Northeastern Illinois region which is consistent with and supportive of the five year regional TIP.

Project Manager: Vicky Tan

Progress: Pace staff updated the TIP database with the latest budget information from the 2014-2018 Capital Plan. Staff also prepared grant applications for: 5307, 5339, JARC, CMAQ, and two RTA grants. A call for projects to all Pace departments was sent out in May in preparation for the 2015 budget..

Products: Grant applications for: 5307, 5339, JARC, CMAQ and two RTA grants..

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Continue with budget development for the FY2015-2019 Capital Program. A budget call for projects to all Pace departments was sent out in May. Staff will be reviewing all the requests submitted and evaluating which projects can be funded.

Elgin/O'Hare Western Bypass Corridor Transit Service Plan

Purpose: To create an incremental transit plan to grow the transit market in relation to economic development and land use development. The Elgin/ O'Hare Western Access project is identified in GOTO 2040 as a major capital project under Regional Mobility and part of the recent Federal corridor approval. The market analysis will include detailed information on socioeconomic status, travel patterns, attitudes towards everyday travel, preferences of different type of travel service, walking shed and land use coordination analysis.

Project Manager: Brandy Kellom

Progress: The ART PMO is identifying a strategy for introducing arterial and/or expressway rapid transit to one or more corridors in western Cook County and DuPage County under the Cook-Dupage Transit Investment initiatives. This task shall cap the previous planning efforts in the Cermak Corridor, the Cook-DuPage Corridor Study, Elgin-O'Hare corridor, and the J-Route Corridor and identify priorities for subsequent planning and project development activities by Pace or other agencies. Upon completion of this task (August 2014) the consultants will refine the scope for the Elgin-O'Hare Transit Service Plan and begin conducting the study.

Products: Refined scope for Elgin-Ohare Transit Service Plan.

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Hold a scoping meeting, issue a task order for ART PMO and begin study

RTA

FY 2012 PROJECTS

OPERATING COST IMPACTS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS

Purpose: Develop a standard methodology for estimating the operating cost impacts of capital projects to assist in comparison of projects for initial project evaluation and screening. Consider the varying ways a project can impact operations such as cost savings, productivity and quality improvements, and ridership and revenue growth. Develop an automated model with a set of standardized spreadsheets to estimate impacts for different types of projects that all project managers can use.

Project Manager: Douglas Anderson

Progress: During the fourth quarter, the consultant continued to integrate Service Board and RTA feedback into the development of the cost impact models. Bi-weekly status calls were held with the consulting team to discuss and resolve issues. On 5/28, an on-site conference call was held at CTA in order to present the prototype track model and obtain CTA input, which was subsequently used to refine and improve the track model. By the end of the quarter, five models had been fully developed: independent CTA, Metra, and Pace rolling stock models, a CTA track model, and a Pace facility model. In order to allow time for the creation of user guides and for training of RTA and Service Board personnel, a contract amendment was executed in June which extended the contract end date from June 30th to September 14, 2014. This had no impact on the total contract cost..

Products: Five Excel-based models for CTA rolling stock, Metra rolling stock, Pace rolling stock, CTA track, and Pace facilities..

Objectives for Next Three Months: Validate and finalize all models. Conduct training sessions and produce model documentation. Project on track for completion by end of first quarter.

REGIONAL INTERAGENCY FARE MODEL

Purpose: The RTA is seeking to develop an interagency fare model that will be utilized as a predictive tool to investigate the revenue and ridership impacts of a range of potential interagency fare products. The RTA is seeking consultant services to develop a dis-

aggregate elasticity based model to analyze the impacts of alternative interagency fare products and policies and their associated pricing options.

Project Manager: Joseph Moriarty

Progress The consultant team (TranSystems) delivered the final version of the model late last reporting quarter, (version 11b delivered on 3/31/14). Final version of the model and final report distributed to the Technical Advisory Committee early in the reporting quarter (April 2014). Accordingly, this project should be considered "closed-out", since the scope of work has been completed and all deliverables received.

Products : Final version of the model (version 11b) delivered to the RTA on March 31, 2014. Final Report complete

Objectives for Next Three Months Project Close Out

TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT IMPLEMENTATION TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Purpose: The RTA will provide technical assistance on transit-oriented development implementation to local governments that have completed and adopted transit-oriented development plans through the RTA's Community Planning and Subregional Planning programs (approximately 70). This work will support the CMAP GO TO 2040 Plan's emphasis on providing targeted technical assistance to local governments and will supplement CMAP's technical assistance efforts through the Local Technical Assistance Program.

Project Manager: Tony Manno

Progress: Winthrop Harbor adopted their TOD zoning regulations on May 20, 2014. Franklin Park and Northbrook were both slightly delayed due to their need to publicly notify all residents of their TOD areas of the upcoming zoning change hearings. Final drafts have been prepared for both communities and adoption is anticipated in Fall 2014 after Plan Commission, Zoning Board and Village Board review and approvals.

An additional project, the Geneva Downtown Zoning Ordinance Update, was initiated in March 2014 and staff is currently reviewing a first draft of new

Downtown area zoning regulations. The consultant for this project is Teska Associates.

Products: Final drafts of new TOD zoning regulations for Franklin Park, Geneva and Northbrook. An adopted set of new TOD zoning regulations for Winthrop Harbor..

Objectives for Next Three Months: Adoption of new TOD zoning regulations for Franklin Park, Northbrook and Geneva.

FY 2013 PROJECTS

I-90 CORRIDOR BUS ENHANCEMENTS PLANNING

Purpose: The purpose of the project planning is for mid-term and long-term bus enhancements to complement and leverage bus service improvements and managed lane facility planned as part of the I-90 ISTHA reconstruction project. Supporting agencies are Pace and the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority.

Project Manager: Peter Fahrenwald

Progress: This was a productive quarter for the Rosemont Access Study project. The project was kicked off with the multi-agency committee team. The consultants then conducted individual meetings with each agency to better understand their needs and the constraints of the site. Initial field work was also conducted to obtain better data regarding the use of the site. Detailed research was conducted regarding the site ownership and control issues. The draft existing conditions report was prepared. Initial market analysis information was prepared.

Products: During the fourth quarter 2014, the following materials were created: kickoff meeting materials, meeting minutes and materials for individual agency meetings, draft existing conditions report and market analysis report..

Objectives for Next Three Months: In early July, we will host the second meeting of the steering committee. Over the coming months the consultants will prepare initial site concepts based on direction from the committee. They will also prepare initial

recommendations regarding site ownership and control and conduct follow up meetings with key agencies.

RTA CAPITAL DECISION PRIORITIZATION TOOL

Purpose: With some of the nation's oldest transit assets, the RTA transit system has significant reinvestment needs, including an estimated \$24.6 billion over the next ten years to attain a state of good repair (SGR), which is more than three times higher than the projected funding during the same period. In order to improve the decision-making processes and prioritize investments given constrained funding, the RTA is developing the Capital Decision Prioritization Support Tool (the Decision Support Tool) to assist the Service Boards as they annually prepare their respective capital program needs to manage day-to-day operations and obtain a State of Good Repair. The Decision Support Tool will serve to assist the RTA in establishing a process for the evaluation of long range planning items, such as major system enhancement and expansions. The Decision Support Tool will be founded on FTA's existing TERM model and will utilize the Maintain, Enhance and Expand criteria, and scoring process developed by the RTA in coordination with Service Board staff. This proposal is seeking funding for the prioritization process for Enhance and Expand investments. With the requested funding, the consultant will work with the RTA and the Service Boards to develop the rating criteria, scoring methods and data requirements for Enhance and Expand investments. The identified rating criteria will be implemented in the development of the final Decision Support Tool.

Project Manager: Eunice Escobar

Progress: • Presented COST overview to Metra Executive Director and Executive Team.

- RTA hosted a monthly progress report meeting in April, a general project conference call in May and individual meetings at each Service Boards headquarters in June.
- RTA hosted a meeting with CMAP and Service Boards representatives to discuss COST sharing opportunities and future work to update the GoTo2040 regional plan.
- Prepared and analyzed data for Metra base new asset data (30,000 records)
- Prepared and analyzed data for Pace and initialized preparation of CTA data for needs analysis.
- RTA CFO and Asset Management Oversight project manager met with the members of the RTA Planning Department to discuss opportunities to include/share COST enhancements with RTAMS.
- Hosted conference call with Planning and CH2M Hill to review options to use COST to update CMAP Go To 2040 regional plan.

Products: Data for CTA, Metra, and Pace assets.

Objectives for Next Three Months: Continue working with the Service Boards to update the 2014 Capital Asset Condition Assessment report including the region's Backlog and 10-year capital needs. Continue working with CMAP to explore opportunities to utilize COST to update CMAP Go To 2040 plan. Continue implementation of Risk Base prioritization and COST reports integration with RTAMS.

FY 2014 PROJECTS

COMMUNITY PLANNING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Purpose: The Community Planning provides planning assistance to local governments to undertake planning activities that integrate transportation (particularly transit) with Land Use and Housing. Projects selected through a competitive application process administered jointly by CMAP and RTA.

Project Manager: Heather Tabbert

The 2014 Community Planning program of projects was finalized in October 2013. The RTA identified three of those projects for which to use UWP funding: Melrose Park Broadway Avenue Corridor Plan; Pace Local Transit Planning for Hoffman Estates, Waukegan and Woodridge; and Kane County Ride-in-Kane Assessment. The Melrose Park project began in April 2014. Data collection and public outreach are underway, and the project website has been activated. The Kane County project will begin in July 2014. The Pace project is in scope development and will begin in late 2014.

Products: No final deliverables at this time.

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Prepare the existing conditions report for Melrose Park; initiate the Kane County project and conduct preliminary data collection; and release the RFP for the Pace project.

Will County

FY 2014 PROJECTS

County Long Range Transportation Planning Program

Purpose: The Counties' Core Long-Range Transportation Planning (LRTP) Program provides for the ongoing development and maintenance of multi-jurisdictional plans needed to manage future growth and travel demand. The Transportation Plan is a tool that guides the programming and planning of transportation infrastructure improvements, projects, services, and the allocation of financial resources. A rotating planning cycle among the Counties insures that policies, strategies, and projects are reviewed and updated on a periodic basis to meet regional transportation needs.

FY14 - Will County 2040 Transportation Plan

Project Manager: Christina Kupkowski, PE

Progress: Received Approval from IDOT on the MFT Funding Agreement.

Products:

Objectives for the Next Three Months: Consultant to update project schedule. Data collection to begin.